

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
TOWN OF JAFFREY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

November 14, 2020

Meeting Notes

Present: Kit Schiele, Frank Sterling, Ron Reid, Joshua Levesque  
Meeting: Pauline and Steve Brackett  
Unable to attend: Rich Pedott, Marijean Parry, Jack Minter, Rick Stein

Meeting Notes: Pauline and Steve Brackett, new owners of 370 Main St., Jaffrey Center

Josh Levesque has been appointed a member to the commission taking Nancy Lloyd's vacant spot. Welcome Josh!

Members of the Jaffrey Center Historic District Commission (Frank, Kit, Joshua, and Ron) met with the new owners of 370 Main Street, Steve and Pauline Brackett as per their request to address any concerns or questions they may have with their new property. The meeting, scheduled at 4pm, was held off the driveway, social distancing and masks as well as umbrellas being utilized. The Bracketts were given a printed copy of our district guidelines. Steve said that the two things they were most interested in was painting the exterior of the building and repair of two of the chimneys. The color scheme will stay the same with white exterior with green shutters. The shutters will be a winter project repairing the styles while keeping the slats (which are in good condition) with the painting beginning soon, weather permitting. Frank commented that the paint may be lead based. Steve's background as an environmental geologist has us confident in the job being done right. Steve told us that he has begun jacking up the barn, which will be a slow process, and was righting the two entry columns at the front door. The Bracketts inquired as to what is necessary to install a mailbox. Josh said that there is paperwork and requirements that need to be done at the post office. Future items to be addressed are the driveway, a brick pathway to the house and a white fence that may be returned to service if desired.

Pauline inquired as to some of the features of the home including the stenciling in the living room. Ron mentioned that Rick Stein or Bruce Hill may be knowledgeable with these things or know someone who would have that expertise. She asked about the refinishing of the pine floors and expressed amazement at what good shape they are in, stating that the previous owners did not have any children or animals so there was little wear.

Steve Brackett wanted us to know that staging will be set up on his house (370 Main Street) to rebuild the chimneys. The bricks will be as close to the old bricks as possible. A new furnace was installed and the east side was scraped and started to be primed.

Steve said he looked up the past ownership noting that Mrs. Burnbaum bought the house in 1914, then it was the Wallings, then the Robinsons and now the Bracketts. Thanks to Ron Reid for putting these notes together. Meeting ended at 4:40pm.

Monthly meetings are temporarily suspended because of Covid concerns  
Minutes are posted at the Town Offices, the Post Office, and on the Jaffrey town website  
<http://www.townofjaffrey.com/historic-district-commission>

Respectfully submitted,  
Kit Schiele, Secretary