

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Article I

The name of the corporation shall be Jericho Historical Society.

Article II

The period of existence shall be perpetual.

Article III

The business and purpose of this corporation shall be to bring together those people interested in history, and especially in the history of Town of Jericho, State of Vermont. Understanding life, gives us a better understanding of our state and nation, and promotes a better appreciation of our American heritage.

The corporation's major function will be to discover and collect any material which may help to establish or illustrate the history of the area: its exploration, settlement, development, and activities in peace and in war; its progress in population, wealth, education, arts, science, agriculture, manufactures, trade, and transportation. It will collect printed material, such as histories, genealogies, biographies, descriptions, gazeteers, directories, newspapers, pamphlets, catalogs, circulars, handbills, programs, and posters; manuscript material such as letters, diaries, journals, memoranda, reminiscences, rosters, service records, account books, charts, surveys, and field books; and museum material such as pictures, photographs, paintings, portraits, scenes, aboriginal relics, and material objects illustrative of life, conditions, events, and activities of the past and the present.

The society will provide for the preservation of such material and for its accessibility, as far as may be feasible, to all who wish to examine or study it, to co-operate with officials in insuring the preservation and accessibility of the records and archives of the county and of its cities, towns, villages, and institutions, and to undertake the preservation of historic buildings, monuments, and markers.

The society will disseminate historical information and arouse interest in the past by publishing historical material in the newspapers or otherwise; by holding meetings with pageants, addresses, lectures, papers, and discussion; by marking historic buildings, sites, and trails; and by using the media of radio and television to awaken public interest.

Article IV

The location of the principal office shall be Jericho, Vermont.

Article V

The name of the initial registered agent is Jericho Historical Society.

Article VI

The address of the initial registered agent is Jericho, Vermont 05465.

Article VII

The board of directors shall have the power to conduct all affairs of the society. The number of the board of directors shall be fixed by bylaw but shall not be less than three. The manner of election or appointment and the term of office of members of the board of directors shall be that stated in the bylaws.

Article VIII

The society shall have one or more classes of membership. The designation of such classes, and the qualifications, rights, and method of acceptances of members of each class, shall be specified by the bylaws.

Article IX

The corporation shall not have or issue shares of stock and it shall pay no dividends or pecuniary profits whatever to organizers or members, although it may confer benefits upon members in conformity with its purposes and the law.

Article X

These articles may be amended in the manner authorized by law at the time of amendment.

Article XI (Approved January 25, 1973
at the annual meeting)

Upon dissolution all remaining assets of the Jericho Historical Society will become the property of the Town of Jericho.

Article XII (Approved January 25, 1973)

The activities of the Jericho Historical Society will be exclusively for literary and educational purposes, will not be legislative in nature and there will be no inurement of members or any other activities in violation of section 591 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.