**SINCLAIR INN MUSEUM**

**SITE SUPERVISOR’S REPORT -- 2020 SEASON**

Like nearly everything else in our world, 2020 was an unusual year for the Sinclair Inn. Because we could not open the building to the public, I was hired to work 12 hours a week – Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m to 2 p.m.

To avoid unsafe crowding along the sidewalk, I set up my shaving operation partially in the alley, and was available to talk to visitors about the museum. I left all three doors open, but blocked them by setting up our regular display panels in the doorways. This gave our few visitors an opportunity to read a little of the interpretive material while viewing parts of the building itself.

I did not record the number of people who showed up, but it was obvious that nearly all visitors were from Nova Scotia.

There were no sales of tools or other merchandise in 2020.

**PAINTED ROOM**

The Painted Room was not open, but I monitored the damaged panel regularly and noted no change in the position of the upper and lower panels. In 2019 I had used a plastic sheet to cover a broken clapboard where it appeared that wind and moisture may have entered the room. In 2020 I removed the plastic, then caulked and screwed the clapboards around the break.

**MAINTENANCE**

Again this year the two bottom steps (concrete) in the “ghost pit” were flooded after heavy rains. I reported this separately since closing.

Powder-post Beetles are back and are showing up in new areas on the first floor.

Respectfully submitted,

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