

## Historical Commission Meeting

March 4, 2014, 6:30 pm

**Present:** Sandy Jarvis, Rita Furlong, Jenn Beatty, Aaron Beatty

Minutes from January meeting were read and accepted with minor edits

### **Treasurer's Report**

- No change since January, no expenditures

### **Communications**

- Received a communication from Nina (Town Secretary) indicating that the town needs a member from the Historical Commission for the CPC (Community Preservation Committee) - Jenn volunteered. Aaron moved that Jenn be appointed to the committee, Rita seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- Received a communication From Ed Gibson (Town Administrator) – indicating that the town needs member from the Historical Commission for an Athenaeum ad hoc committee to explore potential town ownership of Becket Athenaeum. Rita moved that Sandy be appointed to the committee, Aaron seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- We received the 2013 State Register of Historic Places

### **Election of Historical Commission Officers**

- Rita moved that Aaron & Jenn be appointed co-chairs of the Historical Commission, Sandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously
- Rita moved that Aaron & Jenn be appointed co-secretaries, Sandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously
- Aaron moved that Rita be appointed treasurer, Sandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously

### **Old Business**

- No news on obelisk – Rita will call Alan Williams and check on status
- Gail has been working on “cleaning up” our microfiche files – she is taking the microfiche to the Pittsfield Athenaeum to get them scanned. Sandy mentioned that we do have permission to leave our microfiche files there overnight to scan at the Pittsfield Athenaeum to digitize our microfiche files.
- Directional signs – we will work with Dave Shore (Becket Buildings & Ground Maintenance) to repair / replace the directional signs this spring/summer

### **New Business**

- Jenn spoke about the Apothecary on Pleasant Street and that it continues to deteriorate – Aaron will re-contact the bank that owns the property in the Spring. There are items inside the structure that could be of historic value
- Rita spoke briefly on the duties / responsibilities /projects of the Commission
- Discussion on digitizing files / cemetery records as a future project

### **Notes**

- Reminder that Agenda for Historical Commission meetings need to be emailed to Ed and Nina the Wednesday prior to our Tuesday meeting
- Aaron will paste the minutes into the body of the email when sending to Gail

Rita moved to adjourn at 7:24, Sandy seconded and the motion passed unanimously.