Becket Historical Commission

Oct. 6, 2015 6:43

Present: Gail Kusik, Sandi Jarvis, Rita Furlong

Secretary Report: approved

Treasurer's Report: approved

Communications:

Rec'd email from Ed Gibson, town Administrator, who answered the following questions.

- 1. Has the Boston Post Cane been returned to the town following the death of Peg Ronning? Yes it has. Research is currently being done to determine the next recipient.
- 2. Where are the flags not used in the 250 celebration? They are in Ed's office for safe keeping.
- 3. Can the highway crew remove the pole flags and apparatus? Yes, and they will rehang them next spring.
- 4. Ed wonders if it is necessary to alter/edit the flags. We decided to wait until we can handle them to determine that.

Rec'd two newspaper references of the Becket AC baseball team of the 1940's from Gail who researched the team. We will file them with the picture for now.

Rec'd Planning Board notice of a public hearing for the YMCA's new sign at YMCA Road/Route 8 intersection. We voted no objections and so will probably not attend.

Rec'd a Berkshire Taconic Foundation grant application form. Sandi suggest we apply for the purpose of restoring cemetery stones. It would be a matching grant and so we would have to have an article at ATM as well as a proposal for the cost. We may pursue this.

Rec'd an email from Dave Bacon pertaining to the construction of three large location signs that we hired him to do some time ago. He claims the process has begun and wanted a reminder as to the location of each sign. Rita sent this information to him.

Old and New business:

We will ask George Roberts, town clerk, for an updated cemetery inventory.

Sandi reports that the Athenaeum Ad Hoc committee is defunct.

No sign of a computer in our office yet.

Sandi produced copies of the pictures that were on the disc that Robert Podolski gave us. Rita will try to get more information on the baseball team that we now have a picture of (as well as two baseball team shirts). We are looking to buy some type of showcase in which to display the shirts.

Discussed gathering and displaying some of Becket's granite industry here, even though the quarry museum has a wonderful display at the Mullen House Education Center.

Motion to adjourn by Rita, Gail 2nd, approved at 7:45.

Rita Furlong, Clerk, pro tem