

Becket Historical Commission Meeting

12/01/15

Present: Sandi Jarvis, Rita Furlong, Jenn Beatty

The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm.

Approval of Minutes from last meeting – not completed as the minutes were not available.

Treasurer's Report – we still have \$ 1105.01 in our account. This does not include the \$12 for the Community Calendar which we voted to approve at a previous meeting. We also have \$656.40 in our "slush" account.

Communications

Old – we received information regarding old deeds. We researched a land plot that is thought to be near to the first Athenaeum location in North Becket, but we can't determine its exact location.

New – We received a ZBA request, but found no historical concerns.

Old Business

Directional Signs – we will have to replace two of the signs since the one remaining sign is in poor condition. We do have the money to pay for new maps for the signs and will decide this at a future meeting. Previously, Sabic donated Plexiglas for the covering of the sign. We aren't sure if we still have some of that remaining to use.

Computer for Historical Commission – still is not in the space, but will be coming very soon.

Organizing showcases in Becket Room, replacing labels – we will dedicate our January meeting to this task. We plan to meet the second Tuesday of January at noon in the Becket Room.

"Welcome to Becket" pole banners – the signs are down. We do not have them in our possession yet.

Cemetery-gravestone repairs/grants – Jenn will contact the presenters from the October 21st presentation. Jenn also informed the group that what looks like a bullet hole exists in the window of the front building in the North Becket Cemetery. Rita will inform the cemetery commission of this.

Baseball uniforms-storage/display – The display boxes arrived and Rita put the uniforms in them. We will loan them to the Berkshire Historical Society to use in their baseball display.

North Becket School, District #3 property – We need to consult the CPA about whether funds can be used to buy a building. Also, Donna Carnavale may be a good person to reach out to about the school.

New Business

The commission will use the January meeting to update and organize the Becket Room at Town Hall. We need to print new labels for some that are not legible and add labels to items without them. Sandi will try to prepare some of this information ahead of the meeting. We plan to meet January 12th at noon.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 pm.