

## HERITAGE COMMISSION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 9 MAY 2012

Present: Marilou MacLean; Harriet Wilson; Patricia Golden, alternate; Susan Raban, alternate; Rich Zacher, visiting selectman

Marilou called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. Approval of the minutes of the April 11 meeting was deferred to the next meeting.

Marilou reported that the Historic Structures Report should be on the Town website by May 12 (the weekend).

Harriet reported that the Wakefield Heritage Commission is supporting the extension of the Cotton Valley Trail through Brookfield into Sanbornville. A letter to that effect should be received shortly. Harriet has walked the portion of the trail between Turntable Park and Rte 16 and found that there are wet spots and that the trail is uneven and will need grading (with fill) in order to be handicapped accessible. The portion near Rte 16 will need to have brush cut and rocks removed. There was considerable litter; however, Parks & Rec will take care of that during Wakefield clean-up day. Ernie Brown is planning to meet this week with Teresa Williams, Wakefield Town Clerk, seeking support.

The State DOT is to begin work on the hazardous waste site on Rte 16 near the Getty station within the next week or so. Ernie will be sure they are aware of the plans for the trail so that they can accommodate those needs when their work is complete.

Old Home Day will be on August 11. We are still planning to offer antique appraisal that afternoon at the Town House, followed by the BBQ dinner. Plans for the dinner will be discussed (and maybe finalized) at the next meeting. It is unclear whether the Agriculture Commission will hold an Open Farm Day this year.

Marilou has still not heard back from the State folks about the site survey workshop we hope to have at the end of the summer; she will call them. Patricia attended the Mill Site Tour offered by the Wakefield Heritage Commission on May 5; she said it was an excellent program.

The grave marker placement for Col. James Hackett was attended by approximately 45 people. Marilou passed around a copy of Governor Lynch's proclamation and the pictures Harriet took at the ceremony. We are hoping to get copies of the remarks both by Kathy Mayberry (Col Hackett's 6<sup>th</sup> great granddaughter) and the re-enactor who portrayed Governor Langdon. The ceremony was video-taped, and a copy is to be made available for the Town website. Marilou also thanked Dave Proctor for his generosity in offering a tour of his home to the Mayberry family.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. The next meeting will be June 13, 2012, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Wilson