

Georgetown Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes – 12/8/15

Attending:

Ed Desjardin, Chair
Lou Dispenza
James Davenport
Gloria Swanbon

Boy Scout Presentation of Union Cemetery History/Research

Andrew Fraser presented to the GHC 3 binders recording the graves and markers at Union Cemetery. It was the result of Andrew's organizing a team of scouts and working all summer. There is also a scrap book of photographs of each stone and location.

A certificate of appreciation from the Board of Selectmen was given to Andrew.

A representative from the Georgetown Record attended and took photos and information for a story.

Maintenance Cost Estimates for Budget Presentation

The GHC members did not feel qualified or able to put together the estimates for maintenance of certain historical sites in town as needed for submission to the Finance Committee. Ed had met with Peter Durkee, Highway Department, who would be the more knowledgeable person to put the numbers together.

Plan: GHC to wait for Phil to return and meet and discuss further.

Donation Fund

The GHC Donation Fund was thought to be open and available to receive funds. The Georgetown Record will do a story on this also.

Museum Repairs

There are ceilings in disrepair in the museum. An estimate has been received and will be provided to CPC by the Historical Society

34 E Main St

The owner has put all restoration on hold. The demo delay was issued 3/18/15 and the 6 months has expired putting it out of the GHC's jurisdiction.

2 Tenney St.

This home is an 1800s era homestead and is now owned by 2 heirs. It has been inspected by the GHC and the integrity has been compromised architecturally over the years; however, it is of historical significance in the town. The contractor has requested a demolition permit and would like to meet with the GHC to discuss his plans. He has a preliminary proposal at the Planning Board to develop the land on the property and would like to take down the house and rebuild a new one. The contractor who is not the owner has been asked to resubmit his request with documentation of consent/authorization from the owners. The GHC met with the contractor who will be submitting a tentative plan.

Action: pending, contractor invited to attend the next GHC meeting in January.

Submitted by:
Gloria Swanbon