

## LYNDEBOROUGH HERITAGE COMMISSION

May 31, 2011, Tarbell Library

Members present: Bob Rogers, Jessie Salisbury, and Jen Dumont.

Jen opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. This meeting was postponed from May 23 because of conflicts. Several topics that had come up during past weeks that needed to be addressed.

### CIVIL WAR MONUMENT

During Memorial Day services, Capt. Walter Holland suggested that names of several men who died soon after returning home should be added to the roll.

Members agreed that honoring them would be nice, but on a separate stone. Bob suggested that a small stone “to balance the one marked ‘Unknown’ on the other side of the monument” could be esthetically pleasing.” They are opposed to adding anything to the current monument. Whatever unknown reason the designers had for not including them in the first place should be honored.

### RAILROAD STATION FOUNDATIONS

Part of the foundations of the second railroad station are now visible beside the tracks across from the common (uncovered by recent floods) and the Common Committee has suggested that the remnants be uncovered as much as possible, defined, and made a part of the common. A sign with some railroad history should be installed and parking on the remains discouraged by some means.

Members agreed. Jen suggested that some type of “perennial border” be used rather than shrubbery because snow is piled on that area. The area is owned by the railroad and, although building a replica of the station “would be pretty cool,” it is not practical even if funds were available.

An exhibit of railroad pictures and memorabilia will be collected for display in the new cases at Citizens’ Hall, partly to bring attention to the foundation preservation project.

## LETTER OF THANKS

Bob wrote a letter of thanks to Kent Perry for repairing the Woodward Monument posts and Jen signed it on behalf of the Commission. A copy will be given to the town office for his personnel file.

## NORTH LYNDEBOROUGH CEMETERY

Bob reported that the stones have been replaced on the wall, the gate post will be replaced, the other broken post will be replaced or repaired. He said Cemetery Trustees are still looking for a commitment from the logging company to duplicate the broken Revolutionary War Gravestone.

## JOHNSON'S CORNER CEMETERY

A capstone with an iron ring was stolen recently from the front wall. Police have been informed.

## OTHER

It was noted that:

Kent Perry has acquired a trove of old North Lyndeborough documents which will in time be given to the Historical Society.

The Historical Society plans an annual open house at the Town Hall on Saturday, June 25. Kent will take part with another talk on Lyndeborough glass.

Eventual use of the library basement as storage for the Historical Society was mentioned as a possibility when it is completed.

Bob is discussing Proctor family pictures with Hollis, such as getting them identified.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Secretary.