

## LYNDEBOROUGH HERITAGE COMMISSION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, TARBELL LIBRARY

Present: Lee Mayhew, Bob Rogers, Stephanie Roper, Julie Zebuhr  
Also: Scott Roper and Susan Patterson

The meeting opened at 7 p.m.

### SIGNS FOR THE CENTER

After a short discussion, Bob moved, Lee seconded, to order the signs for the Center. The single-sided Maple Tree sign for the Town Hall will measure 12 by 18 inches. The double-sided sign to be placed on the ledge will be the same as the one on the Village Common.

The minutes of July 31 were approved on a motion by Lee, seconded by Julie.

### SCOTT ROPER PRESENTATION

Scott presented a demonstration of "Story Maps," a geographic information computer program used to analyze spatial relationships, which he called "easy to use." It can combine layers of maps or other information and be interactive.

His demonstration was a map he had made of Brandy Brook Road with its old houses, stone culverts, mill foundations, and anything else of interest that he found.

He would like to combine a 1850s-era map with a present day one to show changes.

The program is available free to high schools that can use it. Scott and Bob will meet with Principal Brian Bagley as soon as it can be arranged. Mr. Bagley has been invited to the meeting but as it was opening day of school he was unable to attend.

## CELLAR HOLES ON THE DELONGCHAMP PROPERTY IN LYNDEBOROUGH CENTER

Bob said he had talked with the owner. The property has been surveyed and found to be smaller than thought, and the side yard and leach field are on adjoining property. The owner has lived there for 26 years and is now being told the abutter will build a driveway through her yard.

The adjoining property contains the cellar hole and barn foundations of the former William Clark Homestead which burned in 1929 which could be damaged or destroyed by the proposed driveway.

The need to make people aware of the importance of such constructions was discussed. Perhaps an appeal can be made to the owner.

While Ms Delongchamp is prepared to go to court on the issue of adverse possession (having used the property for over 20 years), she would rather settle outside of that.

The issue of loggers moving stone walls and filling in cellar holes was again discussed. All intent-to-cut forms now contain an advisory from the Heritage Commission.

### OTHER BUSINESS

Stephanie noted that a number of people had provided old house information during Community Day which she has added to her portion of the book.

The next step in the project is to add barns, cellar holes, stone culverts, and a list of houses from 1905 that no longer exist and what happened to them.

Lee suggested a meeting with Scott to discuss the combining of the Historic District Commission and the Heritage Commission.

Susan Patterson, a resident of the Center, is interested in becoming an alternate.

The next meeting will be on Sept.25, 7 p.m., place to be determined.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05

Secretary