# LYNDEBOROUGH HERITAGE COMMISSION

# THURSDAY, July 30, 2015, Town Hall

Present: Jessie Salisbury, Lee Mayhew, Stephanie Roper, Bob Rogers, Clayton Brown. There was no meeting in June for lack of a quorum.

The meeting officially opened at 7 p.m. Copies of intent-to-cut forms and a road bond agreement were looked at. Conditions of various roads was discussed. Logging behind the South Cemetery has begun. Wally Holt was reported recovering well from heart surgery. The Glass Factory sign has not yet arrived.

### HOUSE SIGNS

A house sign requested by Jeffrey Fisher for the Buttrick House on Route 31 has been ordered and several others are being researched.

Bob suggested that 'Welcome to Lyndeborough' signs be put on hold while other ideas are investigated.

### COMMUNITY DAY

The 9<sup>th</sup> annual is on Aug. 15. We will again have a table and offer a copy of the Old House Project for comment and corrections. A form for ordering memorial bricks will also be available.

The Commission is again sponsoring Jerry Renault playing a variety of hymns and standards on the United Church's old Estey reed organ.

### OLD HOUSE PROJECT

The Project will be about half of a proposed update of the town history. Stories and genealogical information will be added to each house. Several other interesting houses will be added to the list. Clayton and other long time residents will be consulted.

# HISTORY OF THE CENTRAL SCHOOL

Because there will be no elementary school in Lyndeborough after this year (just a district kindergarten) a history book is being worked on by Jessie with pictures by Nadine Preftakes. A companion book of Florence Rideout Elementary in Wilton is also underway. The book will include a brief history of all the one-room schools and Polly Brown will be consulted. Anyone with memories of attending the school is invited to submit them to Nadine. Any material not used in the book because of space limitations will be on a CD.

WORK ON THE VILLAGE COMMON The work to date – since about 2011 - was discussed and what work still needs to be done. Stephanie said she is running out of volunteers. She has twice asked for a Saturday morning work session without response. The area between the railroad and Putnam Hill Road needs to be cleared of unsightly brush to improve visibility from Putnam Hill Road.

Greg Porter tends the grass and it looks great. The town has expanded the mowing to the area along the tracks by the Village Store parking lot. Lee suggested Jessie bring it up during a Selectmen's Public Forum and ask for some town help.

Stephanie said, because of past dissention, and the controversy over the placing of the monuments and the cannon, it was decided to use only volunteers. All flowers are donated. A town vehicle was used to haul some loam, but Kent Perry volunteered his time.

Lee said it is town property and town vehicles should be used if needed. As should loam and gravel if needed.

Jessie will make that presentation on Aug. 5.

Stephanie reported 14 people have requested bricks and she will order them after Community Day.

# CENTER CHURCH

The back still needs painting but will require a lift. Clayton said the shutters are painted and ready to be replaced. The work will be discussed with Wally when he fully recovers.

Donations are still being accepted.

# NEXT MEETING

Lee asked if consolidation with the Historic District Commission could be placed on the agenda. A resident of the Center should be part of the Commission. Has anyone asked Carl Wetherbee?

The meeting was scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 27, 7 p.m., at the Town Hall. The annual meeting of the Historic District Commission will be held prior to the Heritage Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary