NEWBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2012

Call to Order

A regular monthly meeting of the Newbury Historical Commission was held at the Newbury Town Library on Wednesday, July 11, 2012. The meeting convened at 6:43 PM.

Those in attendance were: Chris Drelich, Sue Nagle, Barbara Rogers (who presided over the meeting), and Nancy Thurlow. Channing Howard, Marcia Peirce, and Bill Towne were absent.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the 6/6/12 meeting were presented and approved on a motion made by Chris Drelich. *The motion carried with a unanimous vote.*

Old Business

1. Larkin Mill:

- a. Tim Leonard is supposed to be taking our three identified "save" pieces of machinery from the mill and moving them to the DPW Garage for safe keeping.
- b. The Town does not want to go ahead on a historical display on the site until they survey the lot to see if the land is sellable.
- c. There are no proceeds from the sale of the scrap metal. Apparently it was an oversight in the town's contract with Pearson's.

2. Trails and Sails 2012:

We briefly reviewed our plans. Further discussion will take place at our August and September meetings.

- a. We will present our program on Saturday, September 22, 2012
- b. Walking tours will be held at 10am, 1pm, and 3pm.
- c. The tours will consist of the Lower Green School, First Settlers Burial Ground, and the Jackman-Willett House.
- d. We will need the following volunteers: 2 in the schoolhouse, 2 walkers, and 1 at the burial ground. The Jackman-Willett House is all set for coverage.

New Business

1. Schoolhouse:

- a. We discussed if there should be a photo policy for visitors to the Lower Green Schoolhouse. Those members present expressed that they were in favor of allowing visitors to take photos.
- b. Nancy has made a new outfit for Miss Alvah Whitney's Mannequin. Chris will be working with the Boston Children's Theatre creative staff to identify someone who can do new makeup on Miss Whitney's face. Her right hand is still missing.
- c. We discussed coverage for open house hours at the Schoolhouse and had a discussion whether or not we should call on non-HC members to help staff the building. We decided that it would be best to identify people we know who may be interested in helping, rather than putting out a blanket request to the entire town.

2. Souvenirs / Small Items:

- a. Sue Nagle made a presentation about the creation of some souvenir items. She creates miniature pins with handpainted scenes of buildings. Sue felt that it would be nice to create some Lower Green Schoolhouse pins. She will bring samples to our August 8 meeting.
- b. Barbara has brought t-shirts, 375th anniversary booklets, and some map reprints to the Schoolhouse. We will put the books and maps out for folks to take; no charge but "donations appreciated."
- c. Nancy talked about taking some exterior and interior views of the Schoolhouse and having postcards and notecards made, which we could then sell. Chris will look at costs through online printing companies such as VistaPrint and get back to the HC.

Adjournment

The next meeting of the Historical Commission was confirmed for Wednesday, August 8, 2012 at 6:30 PM at the Newbury Town Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Christopher Drelich	8/8/12
Christopher Drelich,	Date of approval
Clerk	