

# **NORTHBOROUGH HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

## Meeting Minutes Wednesday December 18, 2013

Present: Norm Corbin, Bruce Chute, Brian Smith, Amy White, and Stephanie Stockman

Guest: Marie Nieber

Meeting called to order by Chairman at 7:03PM.

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
  - Amy White made a motion to approve the November 20, 2013 meeting minutes. It was seconded by Norm Corbin. It was accepted unanimously.
- Demolition Delay Status
  - 61-65 West Main St
    - The demolition delay date has passed.
    - Brian and Norm researched if it was necessary to send out a letter after the demolition delay date has passed. The letter is not required.
- Projects Status
  - Rock Hill Indian Trail Sign
    - No news.
  - Mary Goodnow Site
    - Letter to MHC for an “Opinion on Nat. Hist. Reg. Eligibility”
      - No update.
  - Cemeteries
    - National Hist. Registration Status for Howard Street
      - No Update.
  - 2013 Town meeting results on CPA funding request.
    - Signs for Assabet Park and The Aqueduct
      - They have been installed.
    - CPA funding requests for 2014 Town Meeting
      - No update.
    - 250<sup>th</sup> Town Anniversary in 2016
      - There is a 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary committee open for nine members. The Town Hall is accepting applications.
    - Assumption of duties of the Historic District Commission by the Historical Commission
      - The Board of Selectmen are reviewing, they will likely need additional clarification.
    - Single Building Historic Districts
      - The Board of Selectmen voted on starting The Peter Whitney Parsonage Local Historic District Study

Committee, and are searching for people to be on this committee.

- Brian Smith and Amy White will apply to represent the NHC on this committee.
- New Business
  - The “Worcester Revolution of 1774” celebration
    - On Dec 10<sup>th</sup> Brian Smith and Ellen Racine, Northborough Historical Society museum curator, attended a meeting at the Worcester Historical Society about the upcoming “Worcester Revolution of 1774” celebration. Communities whose residents participated in the 1774 activities are invited to participate in the celebration with their own research, local activities or simply being present for an interactive presentation in Worcester on September 7<sup>th</sup> 2014.
    - January 23<sup>rd</sup> – There will be another meeting at the Antiquarian Society with updates on the celebration’s status.
  - Video Project
    - Still in process. They are contacting people for voice overs.
  - Baptist Church National Hist. Register Status
    - Norm left two voice mail messages with the MHC regarding the Baptist Church application status and has yet to receive a return call.

#### **Adjournment**

- Norm Corbin made the motion and it was seconded by Amy White to adjourn the meeting at 8:06PM. The motion was accepted unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Stockman