Princeton Historical Commission

Minutes of meeting: January 18, 2018

Members present: Krista Ferrante, Matt Lindberg, Phil Mighdoll, Larry Todd

(chair)

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Larry welcomed new member Phil Mighdoll and noted that Krista, who was a former member of the PHC, will rejoin pending approval by the Selectboard.

Minutes of 11/16/17 meeting were approved.

Rusted railing at Meeting House Cemetery.

The railing surrounds the Brooks family plot and we discussed whether that family's survivors would have any responsibility/interest in this matter.

A quote for \$9K has been received which is clearly is more than the PHC's financial means. Moreover, the issue is whether the PHC has any responsibility in this matter. It is our understanding that the cemetery restoration project is intended to deal only with the dislodged headstones. Larry will discuss this issue with Joyce Anderson since she has knowledge of the scope of that project.

Eagle Scout projects.

Teddy Lindberg has completed collecting, cataloging and storing the many headstone fragments found on the cemetery site.

We discussed the possibility of encouraging a new Eagle Scout project to deal with the rusted railing. Matt will explore this with the Scouting organization.

East Princeton Lighting.

The PHS has been tracking the selection of historically sensitive street lighting. Apparently an appropriate choice has been included in the specification and the cost will be included in the State's renovation project.

Facilities Planning Committee.

As a member of this committee, Larry gave us an update on their progress. There is some contention as to the priorities recommended by the study contractor. They feel that the top priority is the Public Safety Building and suggest repurposing the Princeton Center. An addition to Bagg Hall (to include an elevator) is their second priority.

Other issues are what to do with the Town Hall Annex.

A public meeting will be held on February 3 and Larry suggests that we attend.

Town Pound Sign.

A beautiful sign has been obtained but the question is where it should be located. Larry offered to get a plan drawn up and we discussed the possibility of this becoming another Eagle Scoiut project.

Other discussion topics.

We described the scope of a future project to get Everettville on the National Register. Larry is looking for other ideas.

The PHC website needs attention. Phil offered to help and will chat with Joyce.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.	

Next meeting is 2/15.

Submitted by *Phil Mighdoll*