

## STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

### Minutes of June 13, 2013 (re-scheduled date from June 6)

Members present: Dot Spaulding, Bob Cutler, Patrick Hopkins /no one absent

Associate member present: Rosemary Bawn/Ralph Fuller absent

Others present: Marilyn Zavorsky, Greg Jones, Liz Moseley

Meeting convened at 7:30 pm.

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm.

The **minutes** for the May 2, 2013 meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Report was read by Dot.

**PAST update:** Dot received a new packet of pages of historical building reports to be checked and edited by Commission members.

**Community Preservation Liaison CPL Report:** No update this month.

**Fire Suppression in Stow Center:** Greg Jones and Liz Moseley, representing the First Parish Church in Stow Center, proposed a plan for joint ownership of a fire suppression system for Stow Center which they would like the Commission to consider. It was pointed out that their Church was undertaking a large construction job which included a large budget for fire suppression, and since the town had OK'd the purchase of a plot of land in Stow Center for a new fire station, perhaps now was the time for a conversation about a communal system of cisterns and fire hydrants for both the new and historic buildings in the Center. Perhaps the CPC could start the process with a proposed engineering plan to consider.

Topic 2 on their agenda was a forewarning that the Church's parsonage – the historic Stow Academy building - might need to be re-located or demolished sometime in the future as the Church looks for new parking spaces for their larger Church

**Gleasondale Report:** Dot spoke about the June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting sponsored by the Stow Planning Dept. which featured the UMass Center for Economic Development's Grad students final presentation regarding the future of the Gleasondale Mill and its surrounding neighborhood. There is ongoing interest in this subject.

**West School:** The Porta-potty from Northeast Sanitation Corp for the 2013 summer season programs has been delivered. An evening of oral history is scheduled with Ralph Fuller before his family's move to Texas, and there will be a program on July 7<sup>th</sup> with bees, hens and stone cutting.

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**Expenses for approval:** The invoice for the Porta-potty from Northeast Sanitation Corp for the 2013 summer season programs was approved. \$15.93 for a replacement clock for meeting room at Stow Town Hall, which had been previously approved, was paid, and a motion to reimburse Lew Helprin for calendars featuring the West School for the amount of \$132.76 was approved.

**New and Associate Members:** Historical Commission member Bob Cutler ended his term and was appreciatively thanked for his many years of service. Marilyn Zavorsky, who attended as a guest of Dot Spaulding, is interested in joining the Commission. The Commission still needs to recruit new members.

**Building Permits:** The building permits for both June and <sup>MAY</sup> ~~July~~ were reviewed with no comment. <sub>RS</sub>

**Old and New Business:** The committee decided that, with the possibility of a quorum by adding a new member in the coming month, it would meet in Sept.

**Correspondence:** None this month

Next meeting scheduled for July 11, 2013 at 7:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted

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