

STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of January 7, 2016

Members present: Dot Spaulding, Patrick Hopkins(absent), Marilyn Zavorski,
Vellyn Antonelli, Rosemary Bawn quorum present

Associate members present: Lew Halprin, Margaret Barry, Barbara Clancy, Andy Crosby

Others present: none

Meeting convened at 7:30 pm.

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm with a quorum present.

The **minutes** for the December 3, 2015 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: No changes this month.

Building Permits: Permits reviewed without comment.

Public Archaeology Survey Team update: No communication this past month.

Community Preservation Commission: Dot submitted to CPC an initial invoice for work done by Topographix, Inc. for \$8000.00. A discussion and vote was taken in the matter of a Historical Commission member as a liaison to the CPC. Dot Spaulding will continue in this role, and the Commission secretary will write a notification letter to the Stow Town Clerk.

Ground Penetration Radar and Mapping: Dot and Marilyn received two cemetery maps of marked and unmarked gravesites from Topographix, LLC and are currently checking them for corrections, and up-dating genealogical information.

First Parish Church Steeple/Spire: This item will be discussed in the spring.

West School: West School is closed. Marilyn will inquire about the date for the 2016 Stow Springfest because the Commission members would like to host a second annual "Hidden Treasure" event at the West School re-using a lot of last years' historical information and artifacts.

Old and New Business: Dot picked up three more boxes of unmarked markers. The Commission will most likely need to order about 250 more to have the total number of markers available to put in the ground when the winter is over. Dot also submitted the 2016-2017 budget of \$1200.00.

Correspondence: A letter dated Jan. 9, 2016 and written by Stow resident Bill Byron was passed around for viewing. He is troubled by new burials at Hillside & Lower Village Cemeteries in and around unmarked graves.

Next meeting is February 4, 2016 at 7:30 in the Town Building.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted

