

STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of May 5, 2016

Members present: Dot Spaulding-DS, Patrick Hopkins-PH, Marilyn Zavorski-MZ,

Rosemary Bawn-RB - *quorum present* Vellyn Antonelli-VA-*absent*

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

Others present: none

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with a quorum present.

The **minutes** for the April 7, 2016 meeting were approved. Motion to approve was made by MZ and seconded by PH; unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: No changes. Motion to approve by RB; and seconded by PH; unanimous.

Building Permits: Permits read without comment.

Public Archaeology Survey Team update: Dot received more pages for the new Stow historic house inventory. They will need to be proofread. We now have about 70% of pages in hand.

Community Preservation Commission: Funds requested from CPC for the Historical Commission for map corrections & additional unmarked gravesite markers were approved by voters at the May Town Meeting.

Ground Penetration Radar and Mapping: The balance is due for the work done by Topographix, LLC. Dot will present the bill to the CPC at its next meeting. We need 125 more cemetery markers.

Cemetery Policies: No business this month.

Springfest: Stow's Springfest is on Saturday, May 14th. Marilyn will send out an email calling for volunteers. We will present a similar display to last year- highlighting Stow schools in the 1800's.

West School: The West School Open House, associated with Freedom's Way, is May 22. Cleaning day for the West School is scheduled for May 7th. Center School's 5 third grade classes will visit West School on June 2 for a history program initiated by MZ, and June 8 is another third grade program at Stow Town Hall. Marilyn has rented a porta-potty for May 22, and also June 2 and a fall program.

Old and New Business: The May 1 program at the Stow Town Hall featuring Sharon Kennedy as a Lowell Mill girl of the nineteenth century was a great success with a packed hall. Emily Beyette will again be opening up the Gleason House in late May for her summer visit.

Correspondence: None this month

Next meeting is June 2, 2016 at 7:30 in the Town Building.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. Motion to adjourn by RB; and seconded by DS; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted _____

Rosemary Bawn