

STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of Oct.6, 2016

Members present: Dot Spaulding-DS, Patrick Hopkins-PH, Marilyn Zavorski-MZ,
Rosemary Bawn-RB, Vellyn Antonelli-VA- *quorum present*

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

Others present: none

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

The **minutes** for the July 28, 2016 meeting were approved. Motion to approve was made by MZ and seconded by DS – unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: No change.

Building Permits: No building permits available to look at.

Public Archaeology Survey Team update: Dot and Rosemary met with two members of PAST on Friday Oct. 6th. As a result about 75 % of the historic home survey pages were turned over to PAST –either as accurate or with errors highlighted. A tentative second meeting is set for Oct. 14. An invoice for \$18,750 was submitted by PAST to the Commission. RB made a motion for the CPC to pay this amount: MZ seconded - unanimous. A final payment will be made after all pages are accepted by SHC.

Community Preservation Report: The meeting last Monday was an executive session.

Ground Penetration Radar and Mapping: Unchanged status. Most of the markers have been placed in the ground.

West School: On Tues. Oct. 25 four third grade classes will visit West School for a class with MZ costumed as an 1860 schoolteacher. RB made a motion to approve payment for the rental of a porta-potty for this event: VA seconded –unanimous. Ray LaChance program on Sept. 25th was a great success with about 31 attendees. However, we might need to consider earlier fall program dates because of considerable orchard traffic in October.

2017 Committee and Agenda: Dot remains SHC chair; Lew remains treasurer; Rosemary remains secretary. Three other members volunteered to back-up each position. On our agenda is planning the design of two cemetery kiosks for our new maps.

Old and New Business: On Oct. 22 MZ will lead a SHS program with several other speakers titled “1942 – How preparations for WWII changed Stow”. Stow Springfest will be held on May 13, 2017. DS and MZ are on the Town Center Feasibility Study Group; they will keep SHC apprised. There were two non-historic property plans from the Planning Board to review. No comments. Also, the Planning Board sent notice that the old Police Station/residence on Crescent St. will soon be for sale. Andy mentioned that the Union Church is merging with an Acton Church and he will inquire about the plans for historic Church records in Stow.

Correspondence: None this month

The next meeting is Dec. 1, 2016 at 7:30 in the Town Building.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. Motion to adjourn by RB; and seconded by PH; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted _____
Rosemary Bawn