

Town Of Sutton  
Historic Commission Meeting Minutes  
February 17th, 2015

Meeting Started at 7:05 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Keith Downer - Chairman  
Mark Kellogg- Clerk  
Wally Baker -- Member

**Members Absent:**

Lori Funari -- Member  
Donna Rossio – Member  
Paul Dunn -- Associate Member

**Review and Approve Minutes:**

Minutes from the 20 January 2015 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by W. Baker , 2nd by M. Kellogg. Vote: 3,0,0. Approved.

**No public forum or hearing during this meeting.**

**Old Business:**

*Application for Mass Historical Commission Planning Grant:*

Members reviewed the the visit by Massachusetts Historical Commission members to see Manchaug village and conduct a public information meeting for residents. Due to snow storms the original meeting of 28Jan2015 was delayed until the 4th of February. The meeting was held in Blaxton Hall in Manchaug Mills. Commission members in attendance included Wally Baker, Paul Dunn, Donna Rossio and Mark Kellogg. W. Baker provided the members comment on driving around the village with the MHC representative . M. Kellogg and W. Baker provided feedback on the public meeting and commented that their overall impression was that the residents were positive and highly interested in the opportunities the listing might provide. They commented that on the good questions asked and feedback from Jen Hager regarding the limited negative responses that the postcard campaign had generated. W. Baker noted that should we get the grant there would be several more public meetings that would be used to interpret interest by the community, which is an important component of the recommendation to the National Park Service. K. Downer noted that the final application was available for review in the town planners office. The application packet included letters of support from town administrator Jim Smith, the Board of Selectman, Blackstone Valley Heritage Corridor Commission, State Representative McKenna and Senator Ryan Fattman. M. Kellogg asked if we knew the date when MHC would review the applications and make a determination. Review of the materials indicated that the determination would be made on the 11th of March.

**New Business:**

M. Kellogg noted that the Blackstone Heritage Corridor commission was advertising grant availability to support information brochures and other educational materials. He will investigate further and forward materials to members if this is worth pursuing.

**Roundtable: None**

**Announcements:**

Video of the meeting will be available on the Sutton town website ([www.suttonma.org](http://www.suttonma.org)) under Sutton TV Online or at <http://www.suttontv.org/index.php?channel=GOVT>

Additional information on the Historical Commission can also be found on the town website at [www.suttonma.org](http://www.suttonma.org) under “Boards and Committees or directly at [http://www.suttonma.org/Pages/SuttonMA\\_BComm/historical](http://www.suttonma.org/Pages/SuttonMA_BComm/historical)

M. Kellogg made a motion to adjourn. W. Baker seconded. Vote: 3 in favor, no opposed. Motion Carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Mark Kellogg, Clerk

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Keith Downer, Chair