Town of Sutton Historic Commission Meeting Minutes May 31st, 2016

Meeting Started at 7:03 p.m.

Members Present:

Keith Downer – Chairman Donna Rossio – Member Wally Baker – Member

Members Absent:

Mark Kellogg – Clerk Lori Funari – Member Paul Dunn – Associate Member

Review and Approve Minutes:

February 23rd and April 23rd meeting minutes were voted and approved.

Public forum: 9 residents appeared to express their concerns for a proposed Multi use sports facility project located at 118 Worcester Providence turnpike. An approximate 35-minute presentation by James Marran of 80 Burbank Road, Sutton. He touched on all aspects of that areas history, location of said project, lighting, sound, visual and elevation impacts that will present from this project. He spoke for most of the resident's present who deferred to his presentation as their representation. All present were informed that this Commissions involvement was premature at this stage of the process, however their concerns are noted and if at a later date this project was before the board with a request of comment then the concerns could be addressed.

Brian Stevenson of 664 Central Tpk, Sutton inquired about the two study groups requested by the Planning board for the West Sutton and Center village district proposal. He was informed as to the next meeting and encouraged to attend.

Public hearing: None.

M.H.C. Grant update: MHC Grant still on track and the next public meeting in Manchaug will be posted when a date is finalized. Regarding the grant, an historic photo array is being created for the next public meeting for viewing. A phone call as well as a letter will be sent to Mass DOT in regards to the commission's approval of the Blackstone Street improvements and the archeological plan is now in place.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Northeast Access Project via P.A.L. Public Archeology Laboratory contacted the commission in letter form regarding an existing pipeline upgrade. No historical impact was found with the upgrade project and they will be contacted by K. Downer as to any archeological impact and our finding.

Announcements / Correspondence: Wally Baker informed the members that the Sutton Elementary School 3rd grader's toured the common and several locations in the Center. He was impressed with the teacher's professionalism, the children, and the question's regarding the history that were asked during the tour. He noted how lucky were are to have these resources available to the town.

* A motion to adjourn was made at 8:37 and was seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted: Keith Downer, Chair

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