

Town Of Sutton  
Historic Commission Meeting Minutes

October 25th, 2016

Meeting Started at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present:

Mark Kellogg- Clerk

Paul Dunn – Member (joined at 7:06pm)

Keith Downer - Chairman

Members Absent: Donna Rossio, Wally Baker

  
present

Review and Approve Minutes: Minutes from the July 26th, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Paul Dunn moved to approve, Mark Kellogg 2nd. Motion carried 3,0,0

No public forum or hearing during this meeting

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Wally Baker joined the meeting at 7:08pm

Old Business:

- a) Manchaug District Update: K. Downer updated that no recent major activity associated with the project. It continues to move forward and there are no major concerns at this time. W. Baker added that he had been briefed by Town Planner Jen Hager regarding some of the archeological survey that had been initiated and was not completed. The town is looking for another archeologist to complete the survey. At this time all town responsibilities have been completed and pending completion of the archeological survey that package will be submitted to the National Park Service.
- b) K. Downer updated members on the letter the commission had submitted to MDOT regarding our concerns on the Blackstone bridge replacement. MDOT had asked if our concerns had been addressed. K. Downer did reply to MDOT with a letter expressing that the concerns had been satisfactorily addressed.

NOTE that at 7:12pm we had to restart the meeting due to cable TV filming had not been started.

c) K. Downer reviewed with members a letter from PAL dated 20May2016 regarding the pipeline plan review. The SHC had not found issue potential issues from a historical viewpoint. PAL had agreed in their review.

New Business:

- a) K. Downer reviewed letter asking for information on the Merrill Pond Wildlife Mgt area. He provided the writers info on the Eight Lots history. The writers of the letter are working on a project to regulate water levels in the ponds.

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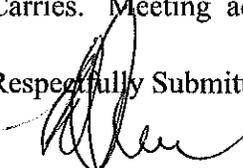
- b) W. Baker reviewed info learned at the MHC sponsored workshop on town owned museums, which he attended in September. Noting that the presenters were very good and provided valuable knowledge. Commented that many towns had taken advantage of the CPA program to fund their museums. SHC members reviewed CPA process and that attempts to utilize
- c) were turned down a town meeting. K. Downer noted that town citizens interested in the CPA and how much surrounding towns have received from this resource can be found on the MHC website .
- d) W. Baker provided an update to the Nathan Lombard show that occurred at Sturbridge Village. That show had led to discussions for the pulpit at 1st Church and that a book was being put together that wished to include pictures of the pulpit and church. The photography session has taken place and includes the Lombard window. The book will be published by the Henry Francis du Pont Museum, sometime in 2018.

Announcements and Correspondence:

- a) Announcement for the Massachusetts Historical Commission 2017 MHC Grants available. Noted that SHC was likely not eligible given recent grant for Manchaug project, but that we need to keep the Wilksonville project in mind for future grant rounds.

M. Kellogg made a motion to adjourn. P. Dunn seconded. Vote: 4 in favor, no opposed. Motion Carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Mark Kellogg, Clerk

  
Keith Downer, Chair