UXBRIDGE HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES APRIL 19, 2016

Received by Uxbridge Town Clerk

Members present at the meeting: Francis Cove, Mary Dolan, William Albin, Roy Henry, Linda Bradley and Faye McCloskey.

Member absent: Peter Emerick

Meeting called to order at 3:15pm

Minutes were read from December 15, 2015 thru March 15, 2016. Motion was made to accept, seconded and motion passed.

Old Business:

- 1. It was reported the furnace at the Farnum House was replaced. The cost was approx \$3,000 and the bill was submitted to the Town Manager.
- 2. Discussion continued on the issues with the building and it was suggested by Francis Cove we get professional inspection completed to determine the extent of the building issues both inside and outside along with estimates to repair. It was reported that there is major issues in the basement with the beams, foundation, etc. The basement also needs to be cleaned of debris. The DPW will be contacted regarding the debris and trash in the basement. The exterior sign needs repainting and Jeannette Gokey has offered to repaint. All present voted in favor of accepting Ms. Gokey's offer.

New Business:

- 1. It was brought to our attention by Faye McCloskey that the bridge by Stanley Woolen needs repainting and it was suggested we contact Rep. Fattman to seek funding for the project.
- 2. Travis Ann Baker on behalf of Uniquely Uxbridge filed a request to use the grounds on Mondays beginning in June thru September from 3:00pm to 7:00pm for a farmers market. The parking lot and grounds would be used. It was suggested we contact Mark Wickstrom of the Taft Memorial Fund who had purchased the land and seeded the new lawn as the Farnum House lawn consists only of the immediate front of the building. Francis Cove will contact Mark Wickstrom regarding the request.
- 3. It was reported that artifacts were donated to the Historical Society by Mike Kowalczyk that included articles from Katherine Sessions and Cass families.
- 4. Bill Albin reported there will be a memorial service at the Bomber crash site on 5/15/16 and suggested we advertise the event as no one was present at last year's memorial.

- 5. The Uxbridge Historic District Commission reported the possibility of creating another historical district by-law for the Rogerson Village area in North Uxbridge and also for the Lewcon Building at Pout Pond and the Ironstone School. They will keep us updated on their progress.
- 6. Mail was received advising the Commission of the Mass Historical Conference in Worcester. No action was taken.
- 7. It was also reported that the Commission's record books were received from Mae Wrona which included minutes from July 1966 forward. The minutes from the first meeting were read. It was recommended we keep records upstairs at the Farnum House in the display case.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at $4:45\,$ pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bradley Secretary