

## Wayland Historical Commission Meeting Minutes – May 7, 2014

Minutes: (approved as amended)

Attendees: Sheila Carel, Rick Conard, Tonya Largy, Elisa Scola, Gretchen Ryder Sharry Mike Lowery

Chairperson Elisa Scola called the meeting to order

1. Minutes of the March 5, 2014 meeting were approved as written

2. Public Comment: None

3. North Cemetery Update: (Elisa)

Warrant Article was approved at Town Meeting. Tonya had stopped in to talk to John Moynihan. Need to know where on the list of priorities it is.

4. Archaeology Update: (Tonya)

Discussion as to metal detecting restrictions on public land. Tonya monitored an Eagle Scout project at Pod Meadow. The archaeology lab has received a lap top from Mike Lowery. Tonya and Mike will meet to get it set up. The archaeology intern is graduating/leaving, but will still help with the October display case for Archaeology month. All material is back from PAL. Tonya purchased Handbook of Native American Artifacts for the lab. Sheila and Tonya are working on the sensitivity map.

5. Wayland 375 Update: (Elisa)

John is working on getting prices for signage, possibly granite with etched text. Elisa has typed info. Next meeting of 375 Committee is Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Discussion about the 375 Parade and how the WHC could participate.

6. Historic Homes Update: (Elisa)

WHC has received another request for historic home designation. Discussion as to the size of the sign to be ordered (keep current size, reduce to previous smaller size, offer choice of size). Discussion as to pros and cons. WHC decided to go back to previous smaller sign.

7. Ceremonial Landscape Update: (Sheila)

DPW has broken ground. Sheila has met with person in charge, discussed what can and can't be done. Date has changed for when the monitor is needed. Project to pay for monitor (\$700/per day). Doug Harris to be there in the beginning. Duncan Ritchie still has a permit, so he can be called in if needed. WHC and project are working together, not playing catch-up, as this issue was looked at ahead of time.

8. New business and other items not identified prior to submission of the agenda:

WHC now has a Nikon digital camera w/GPS. Receipts for WHC purchases need to be in by 6/30.

Discussion of ideas for next year's budget: signage for buildings, exact replica of the Sudbury Bow, as Wayland always has to borrow a replica from the Historical Society.

Discussion as to signs requested at Old Stone Bridge for safety reasons. Bill from Structures North is past due. Mike Lowery to take charge of Stone Bridge project and look into grants/funding/what can be done, and clean up possibilities.

Wayland Historical Society(Jan Dunn) has money for clean up at Town Bridge. Elisa to follow up with Jan. Mike Lowery to look into for fall cleaning.

Railroad update: Nine people (and Rick) showed up for the annual brush cleaning. Mark Shepard of Shep's gas station came with a backhoe and worked to excavate the turntable pit area. An artifact was found-an intact telegraph insulator. Friends of the Rail Trail meeting is Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. DCR to give status of trail and how Wayland can move forward, with an opportunity for public input. WHC has heard nothing more regarding tracks being preserved and trail proposals.

Mike Lowery shared a diagram of North Cemetery approved at Town Meeting for DPW work, need archaeology survey. Mike and Tonya to stake area.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at 7:30 PM

Meeting adjourned: 9:03 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Ryder Sharry

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