

June 5, 2002 - Regular Meeting of the Wellfleet Historical Commission (WHC)

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Janet Erickson, chairperson, called the official meeting to order at 4:12 PM with members Paul Fox, Richard Dickey, Clarence Smith, David Rego, and Eugene Cormier in attendance. Jeff Stuart attended the meeting as an interested visitor.

The minutes of the May 1, 2002 meeting were read and accepted unanimously.

Correspondence

Paul stated that he sent a "thank you" letter to Eudora Lussier and will provide letters of thanks to Diana Worthington, and Cynthia Cocivera for their contributions, (newspaper clippings and pictures of Wellfleet residents/past events), as friends of the WHC.

Paul reported on the incoming correspondence and suggested actions as follows, which were acknowledged by the members of the commission.

1) Five letters were received from Jeffery White donating historical articles/photos/literature which will be included in the WHC historical notes file:

- a) Letter dated May 22, 2002, containing an article about Admiral Nimitz, Charles Schuster and Rev. Lynne Townsend.
- b) Letter dated May 24, 2002, containing a news photo of Joseph Dooley, Prof. Frank Simpson, and Charles Schuster.
- c) Letter dated May 11, 2002 containing a copy of the spelling couplets from The New England Primer.
- d) Letter dated May 11, 2002 containing campaign literature of Charles Frazier in his campaign for State Representative.
- e) Letter (no date) containing an article about a LaFrance fire truck similar to one Wellfleet owned.

2) Letter from Jeffery White, dated May 29, 2002, donating information concerning Burton Kendall Wheeler, US Senator for inclusion in the WHC files and archives.
- to be discarded

3) Brochure titled Preservation Advocate from Massachusetts Historical Commission, dated Spring 2002, about "The Rehabilitation Tax Credit", and "Tree Ring Dating and Dendrochronologists" - donate to the Wellfleet Public Library

4) Nomination Form titled "2002 Massachusetts' Ten Most Endangered Historic Resources Nomination Form", from Historical Massachusetts. - to be discarded

5) Bay State Historical League Notification of their Annual Meeting and Conference on Monday, June 10, 2002 at the Fruitlands Museum, Harvard, MA. The title of the conference is "Objects Talk! New Trends in Material Culture". - to be discarded

Old Business

The minutes of the May 15, 2002 special meeting were read and accepted unanimously.

Stone's house and the old cinema next to the Congregational Church. - A brief discussion ensued to try and identify each of the students pictured in the dated photograph.

Old Business

Janet reported on the status of the central district historic building identification project. The members provided some additional building/owner identifications. During the discussion addressing further owner identification, Richard raised the question of the building styles as presently listed; e.g., some of the houses listed as Greek Revivals were Capes or Saltboxes. The members agreed that the style of the subject houses also should be verified by physical review and updated if necessary.

The monuments and memorials subcommittee reported that present efforts continue to be generation of descriptions, including the dedication/establishment dates wherever possible, of the monuments or memorials. The subcommittee agreed to meet on 25 September to restart this process.

New Business

The WHC attendees voted on Paul's motion to send Anne White, who expressed an interest in attending the MHC Preservation Conference, as a representative of the WHC. Anne will report on the Preservation Conference, to be held in New Bedford on September 27-28, 2002, at a future WHC meeting.

Having no other business before the WHC, the attendees voted to adjourn the meeting at 5:43 PM. The next regular meeting of the commission will be held in the Wellfleet library at 4:00 PM on October 2, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

EFC, Clerk/Secretary