

November 3, 2004 – Regular Meeting of Wellfleet Historical Commission

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Janet Erickson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM with members Tracy Vanderschmidt, Clarence Smith, and Eugene Cormier in attendance. Cynthia Cocivera also attended as an interested observer. The attendees congratulated Tracy on her appointment as a new member; Cynthia, although successfully interviewed by the Selectmen, won't become an official member until Charles' request to become an "alternate member" rather than a "full member" is submitted to the Selectmen in writing.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 6, 2004 were read and accepted unanimously.

Correspondence

Eugene reported on and summarized the correspondence received since the last regular meeting, (See attachment). He also described the WHC letter sent to the Selectmen recommending the appointment of the two applicants being interviewed for the Historical Commission on October 26, 2004.

Old Business

Janet reported that Lisa Benson, the printer who has been working the Quark format update, experienced a computer crash and lost all her work on the Monuments and Memorial Guide. However, Janet explained that Lisa has already restarted the update task. Meanwhile Janet is continuing to rewrite the text, where possible, to describe the history of the individual monuments rather than just listing the inscriptions. She stated that "memorial benches" will be removed from the brochure and that she needs more information for the following plaques:

- MIA/POW Memorial Park – Clarence reports that MIA Park was placed in memory of Sgt. Robert Howard by the American Legion, Post 287 in the early 1990s. Janet to pursue addition information with Florence Schmidt
- Boudreau Cemetery – Cynthia to search Wellfleet Remembered booklets for possible information.
- Schuldice Monument – Clarence provided some historical data on Mr. Schuldice.
- Lombard Cemetery – Cynthia to pursue cemetery history with Lombard relatives.

Clarence reported that Richard, Historic Review Board member, provided WHC with a copy of the historic house list. Clarence will pass it to Janet for comparison with, and final review of, the Historic Central District update project.

Clarence reported on his meeting with Charles Mulligan at the Stop and Shop. Charles indicated that he would prefer to be an alternate member, rather than a full member, of the WHC due to his present health, his college schedule, and his work schedule at Stop &

Shop in Orleans. Clarence told Charles that WHC would draft a letter, indicating Charles' wishes, for him to sign and forward to the Selectmen. Janet agreed to write the letter.

New Business

The attendees briefly discussed the future implications of the Community Preservation Act for the WHC, if the town approves the Act next spring. Janet suggested a few possible projects for the Commission to consider for the next year.

The Town Administrator requested via memo that the Historical Commission perform an inventory of WHC equipment and submit the results by November 19, 2004. Eugene agreed to issue a memo identifying our filing cabinet located in the basement of the Town Hall. The TA memo also requests that the WHC submit the FY 2006 operating budget request, with detailed explanation, by December 10, 2004. The WHC should decide on the number of M and M Guide booklets to be ordered and submit a budget to include the production costs.

Having no other business before the WHC, the members voted to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM. The next regular meeting will be held in the Wellfleet Library meeting room at 4:00 PM on December 1, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

EFC, Clerk/Secretary