July 13, 2005 - Regular Meeting of Wellfleet Historical Commission

RECEIVED Janet Erickson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 4:07 PM with members OCT 11 2005

Cynthia Cocivera, Eugene Cormier, Clarence Smith, and Tracy Vanderschmidt attendance. Betsy Cole was present as an interested observer. May Ruth Seidel and Vent CLERK Schaefer of the Wellfleet Nonresident Taxpayers Association who were interested in Uncle Tim's bridge restoration discussions were also in attendance.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 1, 2005 were read and accepted as written.

Cynthia presented the WHC treasurer's report. The account balance, including the original account and Historical Society M & M publishing loan, is \$4119.48.

Correspondence

Janet summarized the correspondence since the last WHC meeting. Four of the memoranda either requested inputs to or presented draft results of prior surveys:

- Request from Mass Historical Commission for suggestions/inputs from local commissions to the state's five-year (2005-2010) plan of historic preservation. The Sec of State has sent a questionnaire to be filled out by commission members; the inputs will be discussed at a 10:00 AM meeting on August 19, 2005 at Barnstable.
- A memo from Assistant Town Administrator, Rex Peterson, invites all Wellfleet residents to a meeting to learn/discuss the results of the Town Wide Survey by the Local Comprehensive Planning Committee. The meeting will be held on Saturday, July 30, 2005 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at the Wellfleet Senior Center.
- 3) The Natural Resources Advisory Board invites residents to participate in a series of three meetings (July, 11, 2005; August, 8, 2005; September, 12, 2005) and to provide/discuss comments to the Draft 2005 Wellfleet Harbor Management Plan. The 87-page draft report is available on the town's website- www. wellfleetma. org. Written comments can be addressed to - Natural Resources Advisory Board at Town Hall. All meetings will be held at 7:00 PM at Wellfleet Senior Center.
- 4) The Charter Review Committee will hold a public meeting to report on what has been done to update the Wellfleet Town Charter since last August and what remains to be done. The meeting to solicit opinions and suggestions from Wellfleet residents will be held at the Senior Center on Monday, July 18, 2005 at 7:30 PM.

Old Business

The members accepted Brewster's resignation, with sorrow.. The members hope that Brewster will be "our historian" and continue to provide us with knowledgeable, however unofficial, inputs.

Betsy get on their schedule for a hearing. Janet passed out one copy of the, July draft, M &M Guide to allow the members to review and comment individually. We will have two weeks to make comments; Lisa has asked that WE NOT MARK UP THE BOOKLET.

Janet passed out keys to the WHC four-drawer filing cabinet, which is stored in the Town Hall, basement, meeting room. Every member now has a key.

Janice Allee has withdrawn the application for moving the Roger's house from Wellfleet to South Wellfleet.

Janet will send a memorandum to the DPW asking for help and explaining the WHC goal to clean up and upgrade the Anchor Memorial at Mayo Beach parking lot, e.g., cut grass, plant wild Rosa, install new fence approach with white shell "floor mat", and clean up/paint anchor. WHC also wants to know whether the DPW can fix, (weld?), the broken arch at the Oakdale Cemetery entrance.

New Business

The attendees, representing The Wellfleet Nonresident Taxpayers Association, were interested in the repair approach of Uncle Tim's bridge. They want the bridge to remain a wooden structure with the present historic design. They have studied the wooden bridge over the Sandwich marsh and suggested that some of the approaches to repair, and even some of the money raising approaches, should be considered. Tracy volunteered to invite Sarah Korjeff, Cape Cod Commission, to one of our monthly meetings to discuss repair and/or grant approaches.

The sale of the Captain Higgins Restaurant was discussed. Since the main portion of the building was once the "Spit and Chatter Club", WHC should follow the "life of the historic structure".

Having no other business before the WHC, the members voted to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 PM. The next regular meeting will be held in the Wellfleet Library meeting room at 4:00 PM on August 3, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,