

Historical Commission

Oct. 18, 2007

Members present-

Beverly Goodale, Barbara Deschenes, Neil Norum, Greg Zakarian, Kim D. Hopewell, Nancy Barakian

Acceptance of Meeting minutes-

Upon a motion of Barbara Deschenes and second by Neil Norum it was unanimously voted to accept the meeting minutes of Sept. 19, 2007

Demolition delay bylaw-

The Commission plans to submit a warrant article for the May 19th, 2008 Semi-Annual Town Meeting. A copy of the bylaw was reviewed by the Zoning Enforcement Agent, the Building Inspector as well as the Town Administrator. The only section that was requested by the Town Administrator was the amount of the fine assessed for failure to abide by this bylaw. The fine was amended accordingly.

Check last date for public hearing, schedule date for a Public Hearing and dates for publishing in the hearing in the newspaper. The Town Clerk will supply a copy of the bylaws to the Commission member.

National Register update for Mt. Vernon Cemetery

Draft from Fannin & Lehnars progress on the report for submittal, a number of errors has been noted in the initial report. The commission will send back the report for correction and clarification.

Grants-

Survey and planning grant FY 2008. Neil will look into submitting the necessary paperwork and letter of intent by the deadline date of 12-14-08. He will advise the Commission on the progress of this matter.

New Business-

Upon a motion by Neil Norum and second by Barbara Deschenes it was unanimously voted to have members of the Commission review all of the old film reels stored at the Historical Society, and to further contract an outside business to submit bids to the Commission for the transfer of said films to cd's or dvd's. The concern before the Commission is the brittleness of the film and the ability to provide this service without destroying the source.

Neil Norum and Beverly Goodale will review the films and determine which films are acceptable and in good enough shape to copy and preserve.

Town wide inventory-

No progress from last meeting

Joseph Dwelley Stone-

The stone was delivered to Cemetery Supt. Lindberg . The rededication service will be conducted in 2008. It is hoped that the Commission can coordinate the Revolutionary War re-enactors, the Dwelley descendants, the Historical Commission as well as the Banner to be present for the ceremony.

New Business-**Community Preservation Committee-**

The first committee meeting, meeting will be held on Oct. 29th, with the state. The state will provide an informational meeting defining the responsibilities for the group. Note- 10% of the collected Community Preservation Act money is directed towards Historical conservation and preservation projects.

The commission will create a list of items to be addressed by the committee and the necessary steps will be taken to submit the paperwork in a timely fashion.

Date of next meeting-

Nov. 15, 2007 4 p.m.

Upon a motion by Neil Norum and Second by Greg Zakarian the meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim D. Hopewell
Historical Commissioner & Secretary