

**Historical Commission
Meeting Minutes Nov. 29, 2007**

Members Present- Beverly Goodale, Neil Norum, Nancy Barakian, Barbara Deschenes, Kim D Hopewell

Meeting Called to order at 4:15 p.m.

Old Business-

National Register of Historic Places

Fannin and Lainer have submitted the necessary documentation on the Holbrook Chapel, and Mt. Vernon Cemetery and have submitted the report to the State and Federal Government for placement in the National Register. It is expected that the Historical Commission be advised of the status by May or June 2008.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission has also requested a letter from the Board of Selectmen for inclusion in their file. This letter will express the Boards support of the Historical Commission desires to place the Holbrook Chapel and Mount Vernon Cemetery in the National Register.

Fannin and Lainer will need to fill out a W-9 for payment.

Grants-

The Commission would need a 40-60 monetary match before it applies for any grant. The Community Preservation Act has guaranteed 10% dedicated to Historical efforts.

Projects include-

1. Restoration-

- i) The Historical Commission is considering the identification and restoration of Revolutionary gravestones and other historical gravestones and markers including the Civil War Memorial Monument in the Mount Vernon Cemetery.
- ii) ID and archiving of historic photos, films, and glass negatives to transfer to data base DVD,
- iii) Glass negatives need cleaning & preservation before transferring to data base
- iv) Inventory of historic structures in town

2. Films-

The Commissioners will start to review and label canisters of film currently stored in the Historic Society. The timeframe to begin this work is currently slated for Jan 10, 2008.

Town-Wide Inventory

Data entry has continued in access inventory database .

The Commissioners will create a form letter for homeowners to fill out and return to the commission. This letter will ask the homeowner for permission to enter the property, to measure property frontage and offsets and for photographs. Each letter will include the Massachusetts Historic Commission Form B attachment. This form will have the information the commission has entered, and will ask the homeowner if there are any discrepancies with the data provided. The Commission will run mailing address labels for the inventoried properties from the access inventory database.

New Business-

1. Joseph Dwelly Headstone

The marble tombstone is in. The Bicentennial Celebration event for June 6- 8th is the Revolutionary War reenactment, the Commission would like to dedicate Dwelley's marble headstone with participation of the reenactment soldiers.

2. Spec. Kyle Little Marker

A Bronze marker was ordered by the Veterans Agent and Historic Commissioner Neil Norum. Spec. Kyle Little was killed while on active duty in Iraq in 2007.

Adjournment- meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Next Meeting- Jan. 17, 2008, 4 p.m.

Kim D Hopewell
Historical Commissioner