Historical Commission Meeting Minutes July 17, 2008

Members Present

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

Acceptance of Minutes

It was unanimously voted to accept the meeting minutes of June 19, 2008

Boston Post Cane

Six pins were ordered from Joseph's Jewelers. One should be completed by the presentation ceremony. A list was provided by the Town Clerk's Central Registration Data base for the next available recipient, Eric Carlson of 77 Briarwood Circle, DOB 8-20-1910 meets all the criteria and will be contacted in regards to the Bicentennial parade as well as the dedication ceremony with the Board of Selectmen. If Mr. Carlson declines the Boston Post Cane, Evelyn Anderson of 87 Maple Street will be the next in line with a DOB of 9-7-1910.

The cane ceremony is slated for the 17th of Sept. with the Board of Selectmen at 7 p.m.

Bicentennial

Question whether the Historical Commission will submit a float in the Bicentennial Parade.

Demolition Delay Bylaw

It was unanimously voted to submit the demolition delay bylaw to the Board of Selectmen as ten-taxpayer petition for inclusion in the Oct. Semi-Annual Town Meeting.

Legal ads will be posted in accordance with the town's General Bylaws. The Public Hearing will be scheduled for Sept. 18th at 4 p.m. in the Town Clerk's Office.

Dedication of the Holbrook Chapel, Mount Vernon Cemetery and Bicentennial Bell

The dedication ceremony is set to go for July 27th at 2 p.m. Beverly Goodale will conduct the ceremonial services with the assistance of the Board of Selectmen, Fannin and Lehner, and members of the clergy from Our Lady of Good Counsel Church and the Oakdale Methodist Church. Bagpipe and drums will be provided by Joseph Lennerton and Mark Hopewell from the Worcester Fire Brigade and Pipes and Drums.

The Historical Society will have refreshments immediately following the ceremony.

Neil Norum will borrow a podium from the American Legion and John McCormick will provide sound.

Next Meeting

Scheduled for Aug. 21, 2008 at the Town Clerk's Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim D Hopewell Historical Commissioner