

SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

THURSDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2006

Those Present:

Clay Allen June Allen, Landscape Committee
Adolf Bahlkow
Jim Hill
Jim Hodder
Lyn MacLean, CoChair
Win Fitzgerald, CoChair

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM at the Methodist Church Conference Room. The minutes of 17 January 2006 were accepted as typed and distributed. Win gave the financial report and our general fund is in balance with the town records. Lyn read several thank you notes that the Commission has received this past month and gave out MHC informational brochures.

Events: The Villagers will hold a meeting at the Hosmer House April 6th.
A wedding will take place at the Hosmer House on June 10th.

Vote: The Commission unanimously voted that the following houses were found NOT to be Historically significant:

82 Butler Road
29 July Road
344 Peakham Road

Jim Kelly had already been notified that 47 Old Framingham Road was NOT historically significant.

Lyn attended the Planning Board meeting where the stonewall on Lincoln Road was approved. The Commission has received inquiries about a stonewall on Goodman Hill Road which was sent to the Planning Board for further clarification.

Hearing: The hearing for the barn at 24 Pelham Island Road will take place at the Senior Center On March 8th at 7:30 PM. Lee Swanson has been invited to attend. Jim Hill needs to make arrangements to set up the mike and tape recorder. Remember it is a Hearing only. all members are requested to attend and decisions will be made at a later date.

Gretchen Schuller's contract has been signed off by the Town Manager and the SHC CoChairs. A copy of which is in the files with the original sent back to Gretchen. She has already started working on the survey and has taken pictures of properties that will be demolished. Mark Thompson is working on a program that can be used for getting this information on the town web site. A laptop is needed and when obtained, Jim Hill will work to educate Gretchen on the program.

Lyn informed the members of her meeting with the Legal Department and it was decided that a meeting would be requested with Jim Kelly regarding the restoration contract for Hosmer House. Lyn will send an e-mail to Rick Detwiler informing him of a delay.

Jim Hodder is working with Bill Place to put together this year's mowing contract for the cemeteries. He will recommend that 3 inches not be mowed by each stone and that a weed wacker of vinyl string be used. Damage to the stones is the responsibility of the contractor.

In preparation for Town Meeting, Jim Hill will call Chris Morley to see if we are to present our three articles under the CPC as we did last year. As Jim has the presentations, he will be the speaker.

Lyn reported that the cost of a Kiosk for the Training Field would be approximately \$800. Lyn was given the approval to hire Chris Wilson of Sudbury for the job.

Both Lyn and Carole have talked to Elaine Jones regarding the Detwiller contract. Lyn will set up a meeting to go over the priorities and Phases for the RFP to be written for the contract for renovations on the Hosmer House. Once that is accomplished a meeting with Jim Kelly will be set up so he can give us input and advice.

Helen Casey has been working diligently on her research of Miss Hosmer and has been able to find important information in the Hosmer House that had not been located or categorized in the past. Lyn will contact Mark Thompson to see if he can assist her with her presentation to the public on 2 April. Genealogy files have been set up in the art room with the family information all together in the small two-draw file.

Friday, 24 February in the afternoon members are requested to help get the Christmas trees down into the cellar. Adolf and Lyn have organized each room back to its original layout.

Susan Litowitz has donated small plastic bags for use when selling our post cards and stationary. We appreciate her continuing support of our efforts.

According to Art Richard the front door needs to be completely closed before setting the alarm. There is a magnet on the casing, which makes the alarm set. Art also reported that the heat had gone off in the Hosmer House and he was notified at 4:30 AM and waited for the repair service to arrive.

Jim Hodder has ordered the ramp for the Hosmer House but it is on back order.

Jody informed the SHC that work is being done on Willis Road and the DPW is proceeding according to the plans presented at the Planning Board meeting, which we attend in the fall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 21 March 2006 at the Methodist Church at 7 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn MacLean
CoChair/Secretary

Cc: Town Manager, Mark Thompson, Art Richard, Chris Morley, John Fraize, Muriel Plonko,
Marv Fickett. Carole Wolfe