SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, 17 APRIL 2007

Those Present: Guests: Absent:

Adolf Bahlkow June Allen Doc Fitzgerald

Clay Allen Lee Regal

Jim Hill Jim Hodder Lyn MacLean Liz Radoski

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. The minutes of 20 March were accepted as typed. A bill for \$70 was submitted for payment and several deposits were received from the Villagers and sales from the cup plates at Town Hall. Separate accounts for Win Fitzgerald and Claire Jarvis have been set up and now can receive donations.

Lee reported that she had completed 17 books with about 35 photographs in each with explanations of Miss Hosmer's paintings. They are in numerical order according to the Vose Inventory done in 1959. She has about three more books to complete. These will be kept as a record for insurance purposes under lock and key in the art room.

Events:

Five Commission members will be attending the Historic Preservation Workshop in Springfield, MA on Friday, 20 April 2007.

The Hosmer House Memorial Day Open House will be held on Monday, 28 May 2007. The parlor will have the tribute to all those who worked or volunteered services to the town but died in 2006 with a picture and note of service. A veteran's display will be held in the upstairs ballroom sponsored by the Veterans Agent, Peter Harvell. Liz has contacted all the docents that will work that day. Refreshments will be served.

A decorators meeting will be held on Wednesday, 6 June at 6 PM at the Hosmer House. Liz and Lyn will inform the attendees of the rules and regulations for the holiday decorating. Liz will discuss the theme and the storeroom displays.

The Fourth of July Open House will feature Tim Coyne's photographs of Historic Sudbury. Liz has contacted the docents for this event and could use a few more. John Power's book will be on sale in the storeroom and at the book sale which will take place off the patio along with the flea market items.

Holiday Open House:

Friday, December 7 – Historical Commission Appreciation Party 7 – 9 PM Saturday, December 8 – Open House Tours 9:30 – 4 PM Sunday, December 9 – Open House Tours 11 – 4 PM Wednesday, 12 December Open House 6:30 – 9 PM Thursday, 13 December Open house 6:30 – 9 PM

CPC Projects:

- Hearse House Bud and Ben will start erecting the building by the middle of May Hosmer Ceiling No progress as the design engineer hasn't finished the plans. Lyn will call as Jim has left several messages. Jim Kelly recommended this man.
- Loring Parsonage Jim and Lyn have a meeting scheduled with Maureen to discuss. Bud Haworth suggested it be done by breaking up the projects like, roofing, siding etc in order to get it done more quickly.
- Ironworks Bid package has been sent out with a 15 May deadline. Jim Hill has met with four of the potential bidders and walked the area.
- Town Center Jim Hodder reported that town meeting approved the money for the engineering and survey work for the town common area.
- Revolutionary Cemetery Elaine Jones has all the information to formulate the bid. Jim Hodder will contact Mike Precourt to see how to handle the equipment situation.
- Old Homes Survey Gretchen Schuller has done an excellent job and she has about 15 more to complete. The next step will be to have it published in hardcover form.
- Cemetery Plaque Susan Litowitz is finalizing the schematic and it should be complete in a few weeks and then it can be engraved and set on the granite.

Docent Books:

Barbara and Adolf did yeoman's work on establishing four protective covered books with pictures and explanations of each room to be used by those who volunteer as docents. Jim Hill offered to put the pictures on a CD for safe keeping if Adolf gets him the memory card. These will be locked up as it is a record of the furnishings in each room.

Miscellaneous Items:

Frost Farm: Lyn received an e-mail from Bill Place informing the SHC that he was going to have a ditch dug around the house for the run off which was draining into the cellar. Lyn replied and asked him to put a tarp on the roof to cover the leak. He also plans to tear down the back and east side porch. Lyn asked him to wait until she met with Maureen about what the plans are for the building.

Plaques for Frames: Lyn and Adolf are to meet to prepare the description which will go under each painting. Once this is accomplished engraved plaques will be ordered.

Haynes Garrison Site – Lyn has met with the Eagle Scout to map out the plan for clearing the brush and placing the stone back in place. As soon as the weather clears this project will be underway.

Stone Wall – The Eagle Scout project to repair the stonewall between the Flynn Building and Peter Noyes School has been completed.

Signs – June and Clay will bring the Signage to Lyn who will turn it over to the Sudbury Historic District as they will be responsible for the entering and exit signs to the districts.

Key Holder – Liz has submitted a bill for payment for the key holder box which has been installed over the computer in the office. All keys will be labeled and locked in this cabinet. Liz and Lyn will sort out what is to be kept in it.

Picture Hooks – June is to order a dozen so all paintings will be on the wall before Memorial Day.

Furniture – Doc repaired the plaster in the parlor. He will repair the upstairs bureau and the rocking chair next.

Ammunition Reserve – Jim Hill and Liz attended a meeting with the Great Meadow Wildlife Refuge as they proposed demolishing the guard house, general house and the one next to it on the property, as they are beyond repair. Paul Boothroyd of Maynard knew the history of the site.

The Villagers held their meeting at the Hosmer House and 40 women attended. \$85 worth of merchandize was sold from our storeroom.

June will ask Brian to help her install the printer cartridge.

The Commission decided to hold a special get together in October to honor those past members of the SHC. Further planning will take place at our next meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 15 May 2007 at 7 PM at the Hosmer House.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn MacLean SHC Chairman/Secretary

CC: Town Manager, Jody Kablack, Bill Place, Jim Kelly, Art Richard, Tim Coyne, past members.