## SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES TUESDAY, 19 JUNE 2007

Those Present: Emeritus Member:
Adolf Bahlkow Clay and June Allen
Doc Fitzgerald
Jim Hill, Vice Chairman
Jim Hodder
Lyn MacLean, Chairman
Liz Radoski

At 7:30 the Board of Selectmen honored Clay Allen as member Emeritus and the full Commission attended this event to show Clay they fully support him and appreciate the years of service he has given the SHC.

The minutes of 15 May were accepted as typed. The financial report was given with a request for all bills to be presented for payment as the fiscal year ends June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **Events**:

4<sup>th</sup> of July: Timothy Coyne will be displaying his Sudbury photographs in the Ballroom. Both he and Liz have announced this in the local newspapers. Jim Hodder will meet Adolf to pick up the books at 8:30 AM on the Fourth so the book sale will be ready by 9 AM. Both Jims will put up the two tents on the Hosmer House lawn off the patio. Lyn will organize the knick knack table so members should leave their contributions in the shed before hand.

Liz reported that the Decorators Meeting which was held on 6 June was attended by four organizations with the others committing to participate as they did last year. All rooms now are covered with the theme being "Sounds of the Holidays". The next meeting will be in September.

**Paintings**: The self portrait that Miss Hosmer did when she was sixteen years old needs a new frame. Adolf will take it to Aragon to have one made hopefully to be completed before the 4<sup>th</sup>. All plaques have been order and 80% are now mounted on each frame. Thanks to Doc, Jim Hodder and Adolf. They will try to get the rest done before the Open House on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **Shed Patio:**

The Boy Scouts that are doing the patio project for their Eagle Scout Badge have had all their paperwork signed off by the Knox Council and the SHC. They will start work in July under the direction of Elaine McGrath. Dan and Matt Delaney have mulched the Fairy Garden and Elaine planted many new flowers. June and Clay planted the urns and front patio of the Hosmer House. Doc and his family are looking into the bench and plaque which will be placed on the new patio when it is finished. The wisteria will be placed on a wooden lattice guide post.

## **CPC Update**:

**Hosmer House Ceiling**: Danti and Bud met with Jim Hill and Lyn to go over the final plans. A 12" beam will go the full length of the storeroom and a 12" beam will go across in the center which will allow for the lally columns to be removed. Jim Hill is working with Jim Kelly, and Danti will have the drawings to Jim Hill this week and he will meet with Elaine Jones to prepare the bid. Bud Haworth is rebuilding the back door and Jim Hill will see if Bud can fix the storeroom lock. If not, Jim Hill will order a new one so it is working correctly by July 4<sup>th</sup>. Air conditioning of the Hosmer House is in the writing quote stage as Jim Hill is waiting for the paperwork from the company that reviewed the house for it.

**Hearse House**: Bud and Ben are suppose to start putting it together after the Fourth of July.

**Iron Works**: The same company that is making the iron fences will make the hinges for the Hearse House. The fence which will be replaced at Wadsworth Cemetery will be painted black. They now have all the pieces that they need so they can start the work of making replicas.

**Loring Parsonage**: As soon as Jim Hill receives the specs from Bud and goes over them with Jim Kelly the bids can be prepared to go out for the roofing. The Credit Union is moving in this week to the first floor.

**Old Homes Survey**: Jim Hodder will call Gretchen Schuller to find out if she is all done preparing the 36 property forms. He will find out if she has taken a picture of all of them. He will ask her if they have been demolished since the first edition should the previous record be put in the book. Jim will also find out when the final bill is due and the amount. Doc went to Wells Bindery and found out if we had the new paperwork added to the old book the cost for 50 to 100 would be \$28 to \$35. Doc is going to start on corrections, deletions and additions to the old book so it can be republished with the 36 new additions.

**Miscellaneous Items**: Lyn is to call Ellen Given to see if she is still interested in serving as a Commission Member. Her resume is outstanding and when last contacted was waiting to hear from the SHC.

Marvis Fickett passed away and flowers were sent to his wife Marcia. At the Holiday Open House a car will be sent to pick her up previous to the party so she can get settled before the arrival of the guests. Ruth Green will also be picked up that night.

Cell Tower: The SHC was notified that St. Elizabeth's Church wants to put a cell tower behind the Cram Chapel. It was a unanimous vote not to have this happen. The Sudbury District notified us that they disapproved also. Lyn will send a letter stating our position and the reason.

Trees: As Lyn will be away, Liz offered to find out about the many maple trees marked for being taken down on Concord Road. It is a scenic road and we want to be kept informed so she will send an e-mail to Jody.

Beverages: Liz wants to contact the Legal Department to get a statement on alcoholic beverages to be allowed in the Hosmer House. We rent the building out and want to be covered by the law.

Magazine: North Shore Living magazine featured Miss Florence Hosmer on the front page and the pictures and article in the center. This was written by Helen Marie Casey and the whole Commission wants to thank her for writing such a wonderful story.

Jim Hill is to meet with Mark Thompson this next week to go over the new system he is putting on line. Once this is up and running we all can go into it and find out where we stand financially. We will need a Treasurer to enter all the data. We will be assigned a password and Jim Hill will give a lesson on how to access and work with it.

Cup Pates: Doc will call Pair Pont to see the latest they can receive our design. The plan is to have Janice Rudolf make a drawing of the Hearse House once it is put together and standing. This will help our sales and it will show how the original building looked. We must chose a color at our next meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn MacLean Chairman/Secretary

CC: Town Manager, Jody Kablack, Bill Place, Mark Thompson, Jim Kelly, Elaine Jones, Art Richard, Helen Casey, Elaine McGrath, Marcia Fickett, Muriel Plonko, Timothy Coyne