

SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, 21 JULY 2010

Those present: Adolf Balhkwow, Doc Fitzgerald, Ellen Given, Jim Hill, Jim Hodder, Lyn MacLean, Liz Radoski and guest Gretchen Schuller

The minutes of June were accepted as typed. Liz went over the funding and reported that all bills have been submitted and paid to date.

Gretchen Schuller then reported on the progress she had made on the "Old Homes Survey" forms which had been sent to each Commission member this past week. Members went over the forms and made suggestions on some of the homes selected.

It was decided that six more homes be completed and a form for the districts which have been added, making a total of 26 as the bid required. Gretchen will take better pictures of some of the homes when the leaves are off the trees, therefore the completed package will not be submitted until sometime in September. The Mass Historical Commission will then have all the documentation from Sudbury as required. Doc will be the liaison with Gretchen and will inform the Sudbury Historic District that we are having the forms completed for the extension of King Philip and addition of Maple Avenue District.

Events: Liz reported that the Fourth of July Open House and Book Sale were a success and thanked all those involved. Doc reported that all the paperwork has been accepted for the Minuteman Fair and we will need docents to help cover on 25 September. Lyn will ask Rich for the use of his truck. The theme for the December Open House is: Winter Holidays at Hosmer House. All rooms have been assigned for decoration and another meeting will be scheduled for the fall.

CPC Projects:

AC for Hosmer House: Two bids have been received and a unanimous vote was taken for Jim Hill to meet with Elaine Jones to accept the lowest bid. This will be for climate control to protect the paintings hanging on the walls and in storage.

Hearse House: The house has been completed with a coat of stain, solid large door that can be cut down the middle when the hinges arrive, side door has been installed along with the window. The iron works people are overseeing the hinges. All the bills for this project have been submitted and the volunteer restoration done by Bud Harworth and Ben Walker are greatly appreciated. Electricity still has to be coordinated with the DPW to be brought over to the house.

Cemeteries: Liz has requested that Jim Hill get back to her after he reviews the bid document for the ground penetration radar which is ready to go out. She has been working with the DPW to find out what database they use so it can be compatible. Kevin will start work again on the Rev Cemetery as soon as there is a break in the weather. The Cutting grave stone has been put in place and he is making a piece that was chipped out.

Loring Parsonage: A boy scout working for his Eagle Badge will paint the fence and build a picnic bench. The cost will come out of our General Fund.

Future CPC Project: The full Commission agreed that an application should be filed for FY12 to repair the stonewalls around town center, band stand, kiosk for Hearse House, plaque for granite stone at Rev Cemetery and repair of the gazebo at Wadsworth.

Cup Plates: Janice Rudolph submitted a rough draft which members made suggestions for her to change in the final design. 150 amethyst and 50 clear will be ordered.

Haynes Garisson Site: Lyn is to contact Nathan to see if he will use Jim Hill's weed whacker to take down the weeds around the foundation. Lyn will also get estimates for mowing.

Gardens: The Commission thanked Liz for her many hours weeding the Hosmer House Gardens which have never looked so nice. The Park and Rec Dept also did a nice job mowing and trimming the bushes which is appreciated very much.

Display: It was decided that the display trays used on the Fourth would be placed into storage as soon as the house is cooler as the upstairs heat was unbearable. The books that didn't sell will be moved next week.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lyn MacLean  
Chairman/Secretary