SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES TUESDAY, 18 MAY 2010

Those Present: Adolf Bahlkow, Doc Fitzgerald, Ellen Given, Lyn MacLean, Liz Radoski

Absent: Jim Hill, Jim Hodder

The minutes of April we approved as typed. All bills are to be in to Liz by the 15th of June in order to be paid out of this year's budget.

Events:

Memorial Day – Out of 19 people to be honored this year 13 have responded with pictures and information. Ellen is working with Susan to have the placards printed for each person and the display will be in the parlor.

Holiday Decorating Committee: Plans for this coming Holiday Open House will be discussed at a June meeting at the Hosmer House with all the decorators present.

July 4th – Natalie Eaton will display her art in the parlor. Helen Marie Casey and Timothy Coyne will make use of the ballroom and upstairs rooms to display documentation of research papers of the Hosmer family. Many old newspaper articles about Sudbury and genealogy records will be displayed. The book that Helen is writing on Florence will have preliminary work for visitors to see. The book sale will take place outside the front door run by Barbara and Adolf Bahlkow with profits going to the Hosmer Fund.

Minuteman Fair - Doc has paid the registration fee and submitted the paperwork so that we are registered for this event which will take place on 25 September.

CPC Projects:

Hosmer House – Jim Hill is working with Jim Kelly and Elaine on the air conditioning bids that are being prepared to go out this month. Once the contract has been awarded the work will start hopefully in July. This in important to preserve all the restoration work that has been done on many of the paintings. Once this has been completed the carpenter and painter will be hired to finish the remaining projects. The molding for the parlor needs to be ordered now so it is ready for installation. The mason will be starting the back hall steps and shed steps this summer. The Sudbury Garden Club has cleaned up the Fairy Garden and Liz has put in many hours on landscaping around the Hosmer patios.

Loring Parsonage – New clapboards have been installed where the electric meter was moved from in the front of the house. Landscaping will start soon by the DPW. The Eagle Scouts are building two picnic benches to be placed behind the building so the town departments can make use of them at lunch time.

Tombs – The bid packages have been sent out and a day has been scheduled for those responding to visit the site. The hinges will be forged so the doors will look like those that were destroyed. This project should be completed by November.

Revolutionary Cemetery – Kevin is working on the broken grave stones that were stored in the Hosmer House cellar. One stone has a small piece missing.

Mt. Pleasant Cemetery and Old Town Cemetery – The contractor is presently working on repairing two stones.

Ground Radar – The project will go out to bid after July. Liz is doing research on what exactly we want and how to go about getting the information necessary.

Hearse House – The power outlet has been re-installed at the garage as it had been taken out and is necessary for Ben Walker to complete the work of installing the door and window. We appreciate the DPW leveling and cleaning up the grounds around the building and planting grass. This project is on target to meet the funding guidelines. We need to discuss what the kiosk should look like so the carpenter can start making it.

Paintings - Four oil paintings have been taken down to Aragon Art for restoration and repair of two frames. Thirteen plaques have been ordered to go on paintings which are all ready hanging in the Hosmer House. Susan is designing the Tribute Signs which will hang on those that took donated funds to restore in memory of past commission members. One painting has been restored with funds that Don Soule' donated from his painting of homes in Sudbury. This painting will be duly noted in appreciation for all he has done to help raise money so many paintings can now be on display.

Old Homes Survey – Gretchen will have most all of the homes documented by the end of next month. Doc has been working with her to select a few more homes.

Haynes Garson Site – Thanks to the DPW again, many trees were taken down and the area cleaned up. It looks so much better as you now can see the granite marker. A kiosk has been order for the site and flowers have been planted.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Next meeting will be held at the Hosmer House on Tuesday, 15 June 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn MacLean

CC: Town Manager, Jody Kablack, Bill Place, Jim Kelly, Art Richard, Scott Taylor, Mark Thompson, Elaine Jones