

Sudbury Historical Commission
Thursday, 19 February 2015

Those Present: Barbara Bahlkow, Fed Bautze, Diana Cebra, Jim Hill, Liz Radoski, Lyn MacLean. Guest: Chris Hagger Absent: Bill Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by the Chairman. The minutes of 20 January were accepted as typed. Liz will report at next month's meeting the financials as corrections need to be made by the town.

Fund Raising: Barbara received a check from the Wayside Inn for payment of the merchandise delivered. The mugs will be ordered when they go on sale. Barbara is to meet with Mimi Waible to purchase new painted ornaments. The Annual Report for 2014 was prepared and given to each member (see attached). This took a lot of time to pull together and the Commission appreciates the work that Barbara has done to make it possible for the SHC to make a profit for the past two years.

Rentals:

- 2 April – 10 – 12 Villagers (free for decorating) - Barbara and Liz to cover
- 8 April – 6 PM (free for decorating) SHS Founders Circle – Lyn to cover
- 16 April – 10 – 3 PM SHS Home to Hearth Tour – Diana and Liz and others
- 25 May – Memorial Day 11 – 3 PM - all Commission members present
- 4 July - 9 – 3 Fourth of July Open House. All Commission members present

The Rental Agreement to be reviewed by Barbara and Liz, who will bring it to the next meeting for a vote of approval. Once that process has been completed it must be reviewed by Town Counsel.

Demolition By-Law: The SHC received an application for a demolition on 30 January from the Building Inspector. The house at 770 Boston Post Road is a Hodgson Company built house in the 1920 to 1930s. It is written up in our Old Homes Survey by Gretchen Schuller. Commission members have been inside and outside of the property. The vote was unanimous that the house was found to be historic due to its architectural significance. This information was also sent to the Sudbury Historic District as the property is in the Wayside Inn District and they will have to make the decision after our input.

Jim has requested that the fire suppression system company that presented to us last year supply him with a quote so he can go to CPC and see if there is enough funds to cover the cost and that it falls within the guidelines of our original request. If it is not he will have to go back to town meeting.

Miscellaneous Items:

Diana is going to investigate opening up the Hosmer House twice a year for the general public which is not on a holiday. May and September was suggested. She is going to see if there are docents interested in helping. Barbara will survey the Villagers who are

also docents at the March meeting to see if they are interested in volunteering if we have more Hosmer Open House dates. Diana is also going to set up a decorators meeting in March so a theme can be chosen. Diana wants to get docents and others interested in gardening to help with the 1890 garden outside the kitchen of the Hosmer House. Jim reported there was a garden royal apple in 1790 and it would be nice if we could plant one on the property. The Commission gave her full support on these opportunities.

Liz said that Rebecca Chism of SWEET was up for an award and the Commission voted unanimously to fully support her for all the good work she does for us on the property we are responsible for.

Fred is going to add items to our Web Site. He also is going to work with Lyn on audio for the CD of the Hosmer House before restoration was started in the late 1970s.

The back has been put on Edwin Hosmer's painting by Theresa Carmichael and Lyn is to pick it up from Alice Byington this next week.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 17 March 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn MacLean,
Chairman

CC: Town Manager, Jody Kablack, Elaine Jones, Mark Thompson, Bill Place, Jim Kelly, Art Richard, Mark Herweck, Scott Taylor, Jim Hodder, Adolf Bahlkow, Chris Hagger, Sally Hild