

SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Tuesday, 21 June 2016

Those Present: Barbara Bahlkow, Fred Bautze, Diana Cebra, Chris Hagger, Bill Johnson, Lyn MacLean, Diana Warren. Friends of Homer House, Liz Radoski

The minutes of May were accepted as typed with a unanimous vote.

The financial report was given and Liz informed us that the end of the fiscal budget would be closing 30 June. We have all our bills paid. Barbara turned in money from sales she had made to the Wayside Inn and funds from our open house Memorial Day.

Events:

Memorial Day was a big success with over 100 people coming through the house. 4<sup>th</sup> of July will feature Ernest Stonebreaker displaying his water color and oil paintings in the ballroom. In the parlor there will be tables display statues plus some of Miss Hosmer's statues. Barbara is going to call all the ladies who volunteered to bake pies. There will be raffle which the winner will receive a \$30 gift certificate to be spent in the store. Fred and Bill can work from 1 to closing; Chris will try to work in the AM. Lyn, Barbara, Liz, Diana Cebra plus docents will work all day. Diana Warren will be away. The house will be closed during the parade but will open after it has pass town center. Please watch for information regarding the July Heritage Park event as we will be open that day also.

Jody Kablack is retiring and her going away party will be held on Wednesday, 29 June. The Commission voted to give her a throw for all the support she has given us over the years. We shall miss her guidance.

Lyn reported that the overhang at the back patio door will have wooden plugs put over the bolts by Rick DePres who built it. She has met with the Building Inspector and Cavalier Railing Inc. regarding installation of railing for the patio. A railing will go from the back patio door to the first level and another railing going from the patio garden to the walkway. Lyn will send a Permit to Cavalier of which there will be no charge. Hopefully this will be completed this summer. Once it is done the Commission will make arrangements to have a plaque made in honor of Dr. Fitzgerald. The Animal Pound town gate was discussed in detail and a Certificate of Hardship may be considered if the issue is pursued further.

Chris has researched the history of the Carding Mill and showed the Commission pictures and told of his personal involvement as a relative own it back in the 1950s. He will look into getting permission to go into the property and find out the status of the building. He has located the gears that were part of the water wheel.

Liz reported that the contract has been awarded for the final restoration work on the Revolutionary Cemetery. Liz and Diana will work at Wadsworth after 10 AM during the next three weeks so that a bid can be drawn up for the work need to be done there.

The Sudbury Historical Society as invited the Commission to attend a meeting on Tuesday 28 June with their architect to go over some plans for the inside of the Loring Parsonage.

The whole Commission was disappointed in the railing put around the town center common. We were not ever informed what would be put there and agree that one split wooden railing would be more historic than the metal. Wayland did it that way.

The Methodist Church has returned two painting of Miss Hosmer's paintings that were on loan to them. The contact is on record in our files.

Miscellaneous Items:

Bill reported that the Plumber Jim Cox had replaced valves on the furnace and had found that several more needs to be replaced. Bill will work with Jim Kelly to have this done before winter.

Stephanie Nosal will be working with Mark Thompson on June 23<sup>rd</sup> to go over the database of Miss Hosmer's letters which she has been work on with Helen Casey.

Art Richard has informed Lyn that the electrical work has been completed so that the lamp post by the end of the driveway is now connecting to the house.

Fred and Chris will be working in the attic for the next few weeks on a Thursday night so that all the books can be dealt with. Many will be for sale later in the fall.

Lyn will meet with DPW Bill Place to request that the front brick walk be made level with the new sidewalk. She will ask that the roller left in the shed be removed and the dead tree be taken down before July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Chris is presently working on the Old Homes Survey questions he has received via phone lately. He will get back to the callers with the information they requested. Lyn will speak to Mark Thompson about the database he was request to give us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn MacLean,  
Chairman/Secretary

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