

SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES

Tuesday, 17 January 2006

Those present:

Win Fitzgerald, Co Chair

Clay Allen

Adolf Bahlkow

Jim Hill

Jim Hodder

Carole Wolfe

Guests:

June Allen

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM at the Methodist Church.

The Minutes of the 15 November 2005 meeting were unanimously accepted a typed.

Win provided a brief Financial Report.

Carole, Lyn, and Jim met with Gretchen Schuler, concerning "Old Homes". 36 homes were selected to be surveyed, bringing the survey up to 1900. Gretchen will prepare the forms and photographs, to be completed by the end of Summer. Jim Hill will contact Gretchen to ensure that her report will be computer friendly with the Town Computer. The commission voted unanimously to approve Gretchen's contract.

A letter will be sent to Sandy Heiler thanking her for her interest in applying for the position of Old Homes Survey Coordinator.

Per Town Counsel, the Commission will be involved in writing the new contract for the Cemetery moving. Jim Hodder will request a copy of the draft of the Contract. Jim er will also check possible sizes of mowers to be used, as well as the type of Weed Wackers to minimize damage to the stones. Carole will contact Concord to see if they have a mowing contract for their cemeteries, and if so, with whom. Carole also stated that she has been in contact with the Fannins, and their report will be arriving soon.

We are still awaiting answers to questions posed to Mr. Detweiler, concerning renovations to the Hosmer House.

June talked to Jody Kablack concerning The Historic Landscape Program 13 communities are involved, and some are receiving grants to survey historic landscapes..We are hoping to be a late entry.. The Mass Historical Commission is sponsoring a meeting on the subject to be held in the Lancaster Library on Wednesday, 25 January. June and Jody, and possibly Win, will attend.

The removal of trees on Old Lancaster, and on Willis Roads is still a great concern to the Commission. A Hearing on the subject should be requested.

It was agreed that the Holiday signs should be replaced. Jim Hill said he would work on them in Spring. In addition, the Historic District signs have ungalvanized hardware, resulting in rusting making the signs unsightly. Win called Bob Leonard in Maine, and action on these signs will also be taken when the weather improves.

Win reported that the Hosmer House has been rented for 6 April by the Sudbury Villagers, and on 10 June for a Wedding.

Adolf reported that John Fraize would like to meet with the Commission to discuss the large number of Glass Negatives of old Sudbury scenes. Adolf will discuss the timing of this with John.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Adolf Bahlkow

CC: Marv Fickett, Muriel Plonko, Town Manager, John Fraize, Gretchen Schuler, Mark Thompson.