

Norfolk Historical Commission
Meeting Minutes - January 19, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Betsy Pyne. Also in attendance were Barbara Bartholomew, Gail Sullivan, Betsey Whitney, and Geri Tasker

Treasurer's Report - Betsy P. reported for Marcia: The Regular Fund totals \$250.00 and the Gift Fund totals \$5396.00.

Minutes: Geri read the minutes from November 17, 2015; these were approved with one correction - *The old Town Hall was originally built for the Fire Department not the Highway Department.*

Anniversary Book: Board members will meet on February 9 at 10 a.m. to continue labeling the photos in our archive notebooks. Betsey W. is typing up the timeline submitted by Thelma Ravinski; Barbara gave Betsey several pages of editing.

Scholarship: Geri will work on the application, letters to guidance counselors, and press release for the next meeting where a vote will be taken to finalize criteria.

Demolition Delay: William Archibald of 127 Seekonk Street has applied for a demolition permit. A discussion ensued regarding the unusual circumstances of this application. Mr. Archibald is selling this property to Mike Brogan, and ~~would~~ the demolition permit to be transferable to Mr. Brogan who will do the actual demolition once he owns the property. A motion was made to allow the demolition with the understanding that the replacement house will be built promptly after the demolition. The motion was seconded and passed 3:1.

Roundabout Signs: Betsy P. submitted a proposal to create new signs to be made by Bob Leonard in Maine. The signs will be hand painted in black and white featuring the Town Seal, circle names, historic site, and Norfolk Historical Commission. Betsy spoke with Jack Hathaway and the selectmen have agreed to pay for the signs. Betsy will contact Bob Magee regarding placement and number of signs for each circle as one double sided sign in the center of the bushes may be too tall.

New Computer: Our new Dell computer has arrived; board members will meet with Mike Yang, on Tuesday 1/26 at 10 a.m. for a learning workshop. Mike can be reached at (401) 316-0991.

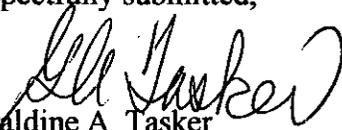
Historic Walking Tour: Betsey W. displayed the awesome brochure she created as a guide for the walking tour.

Town Report Boxes: Geri returned the box Bob Tasker made as a prototype based on Barbara's design. Members were pleased with the final product. Barbara has several pieces of board; she will contact Brian Hamlin about cutting the remaining templates.

Next Meeting: Our next meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2016 at 7 pm.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:25; the motion was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted,


Geraldine A. Tasker
Recording Secretary