

**Norfolk Historical Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2019**

Betsy Pyne called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Additional members in attendance included Barbara Bartholomew, Gail Sullivan, Marcia Johnston, and Geri Tasker. Associate members Thelma Ravinski and Kathy Lang were also present.

**Minutes:** The Minutes from March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting were read; these were approved.

**Financial Report:** Sandra reported that the General Fund has a balance of \$210.00; the Gift Fund totals \$5509.55 and the Sweatshirt Fund totals \$715.49. A bill of 846.86 for payment of the sweatshirts was reimbursed to Sandra from the Gift Fund as there was not enough money in SS fund to cover the cost. Money will be transferred back to the Gift Fund when there's enough funds in the SS account. Also, \$265.00 from the sale of mugs went into Gift Fund.

**Agenda Items:**

**Town Meeting:** Betsy reminded members to attend the Town Meeting on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> to support NHC initiatives: 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration and the Tramp House restoration.

**Prison Movie:** Betsy P. met with Rafael Masseratti who is doing research for a movie he is making. Topics include Norfolk Prison when it was a Penal Colony and their Debating Team. He will do quite a bit of filming at the prison as the debating room is still there. Two of the main characters include Dan Winslow's Grandfather and Malcolm X.

**Tramp House:** NHC members will open the Tramp House on June 15<sup>th</sup> to coincide with the dedication of the Rose Garden. The Tramp House needs to be cleaned and June 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> have been deemed cleaning days. Members are encouraged to take part and to be on hand for the open house as well.

**Friezes:** Kathy reported that Barry from DPW will meet her at the Tramp House on Wednesday, 4/17 to move the friezes to her house. She has been in touch with the Caproni Collection, an art gallery in Woburn, which has all the molds of these friezes; they are impressed that we want to restore them and have offered their assistance. Thelma is researching the origin of the friezes. Barbara suggested Kathy ask the Caproni people if they can identify the third frieze that was destroyed.

**Warelands:** We had a brief discussion about the Warelands project.

**Pictures:** Asst. Police Chief Jon Carroll would like historic pictures to hang in their new building.

**Fales History:** Gail did a great job editing the last printing of the manuscript. Geri and Barbara are meeting to finalize the appendix sections.

Jane Dewey called Betsy P. to let her know that she cannot be an Associate Member at this time due to personal reasons.

Our next meeting is scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup>.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:07; this was seconded and approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Geri Tasker