

Norfolk Historical Commission
Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2019

Betsy Pyne called the meeting to order in the Tramp House at 9:15 a.m. Members in attendance included Barbara Bartholomew, Gail Sullivan, Marcia Johnston, Betsey Whitney and Geri Tasker. Associate members Thelma Ravinski and Kathy Lang were also present. Guests included, Sarah Mendenhall and Ashley Whitney.

Minutes: The Minutes from the April meeting were read and approved. The May meeting was cancelled due to a conflict with Town Meeting.

Financial Report: Sandra was unable to attend and will report on finances at the September meeting.

Agenda Items:

House Sign: Brian Haynes received the sign for his home: the Job Dupee House; payment for the sign has been submitted to be taken from our General Fund budget.

CPC Rep: Geri nominated Betsey Whitney as NHC's representative to CPC; motion was seconded by Gail Sullivan. Betsey accepted the nomination and withdrew from the voting. The motion passed unanimously.

Tramp House Restoration: The restoration project of the Tramp House was approved at CPC. Work will begin in the Fall of 2019; the funding of \$25,000 will be provided by CPC.

2020 Celebration: Funding the Sesquicentennial Celebration in the amount of \$2500 was approved was approved at Town Meeting. NHC is working on the list of time travelers who will take part and asking volunteers to assume the identities and give a brief talk. NHC will assist with the discourse. So far we have 10 volunteer time travelers; Marion Harrington has volunteered as our list maker and help with invitations to VIPs. Tickets will not be sold until VIPs RSVP as space will be limited.

BF History Book: Geri presented the costs for publishing Bertha's History from Andrew Carini of Our Town Publishing in Medway (see attached for full description). She and Barbara recommend purchasing 100 copies at \$13.50 each totaling \$1350.00. Betsey W. moved that we purchase 100 books with a perfect bound binding. Gail seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Garden Club Meeting Report: NHC members attending the Garden Club meeting on Monday 6/10/19 included Geri, Betsey, Kathy, and Donna. Garden Club members are interested in helping with plans for the Sesquicentennial Celebration. It was suggested that a committee be formed comprised of but not limited to NHC and GC members to work out details of the celebration. For more details, see the attached notes. NHC offers congratulations to the Garden Club for the rededication of the Rose Garden which will soon commence.

Friezes: Kathy reported on progress being made cleaning the friezes. She is working with artist, Dorothy Chafee. They have been moved from the Tramp House to Kathy's and she has been in touch with various organizations who are guiding the cleaning process.

Highland Lake Weeding: Barbara reported that the ~~Mobi-Trak~~ has been booked to weed at Highland Lake for 7 days this year; other lakes can also be weeded if time allows. She also thinks that it may be possible to secure CPC funds for this venture.

Solitude Lake Management

The next NHC meeting is Tuesday, September 17 at 7 p.m. in our office at the Town Hall.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn, and the meeting ended at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gerri Tasker

NHC Secretary