

# NEWBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

## APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 2021

Regular meeting of the Newbury Historical Commission began at 6:59 p.m.

**Members present:** Channing Howard, Jan Forrest, Lon Hachmeister, Eva Jackman, and Rich Morin

**Members absent:** Rebecca Fuller

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the **July 8, 2021** meetings were reviewed. Motions were made to accept meeting minutes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** No report was prepared by Lon H. He reported that \$220 was deposited in the Gift Fund

### WEBSITE REPORT:

1. No update at this meeting.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Jan will resend request for information from NM.
2. E-mail from Jean Ackerly, NPL requesting attendance at Library Board of Trustee's meeting to discuss archived and local history resources. Jan will post a joint meeting if 3 or more members are attending.
3. E-mail from **Jennifer B. Doherty**, Local Government Programs Coordinator, Massachusetts Historical Commission announcing her appointment and request for all to fill out a survey form on what HC members would like to learn about historic preservation. Everyone should fill out a form and send back to her.
4. Request from Patrick Browne for information on our Civil War memorials for a book he is working on "Massachusetts Civil War Monuments Project". Jan will work on providing the information.
5. E-mail from the editor of Newburyport Daily News re: NHRD. Jan sent information.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS UPDATES

1. Sign at the Falls: Channing reported the old sign has been removed.
2. 5 Hanover St. -Preservation restrictions on this property are not amendable. We reviewed the PR on this house and corrected the statement made at the last meeting.
3. Jan update the list and separated it into three sections: Schoolhouse, Misc. to Accomplish and possible future events to be held. The list will be updated for future meetings. The need to repair the Schoolhouse windows; mice problems, motion detector security were among the items discussed.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. There is a new Conservation Commissioner, Samantha Holt, and a new admin for the Inspection Services and ConsCom, Chrissy Beaupre. Jan will send contact info to both.

## DISCUSSION

1. A brief discussion was held on preservation restrictions.
2. Jan reintroduced the need to get the Lower Green on the MHC registry and to create a one building historic district at least to protect the Green and Schoolhouse. Lon brought up the interest of several neighbors of the Lower Green's interest in getting a historic district created for the area. These folks are willing to get information handed out, etc. to the other homeowners about getting this started. Jan gave Lon 3 copies of MHC guide on how to create a LHC.
3. We need to look at the consequences of the Town Hall building being torn down and its effect on the NHRD. Channing asked for help to get info on the original building, etc. and rules and regulations on changes within the district. If the building is razed, it could be removed from the District listing. Channing brought up reviewing the Secretary of the Interior guidelines.
4. Eva suggested that she contact Essex County Sportsman Association to see if they want her husband to rebuild haystacks on Rte.1
5. Jan handed out 3 part news articles on the Newbury Improvement Society. There is a lot of information in these articles of things done/accomplished from 1893-1921.

## DDB DISCUSSION

1. 15 Coleman Rd. Permit Link request to be approved and the move of older building. Jan will OK online.
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## ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Historical Commission should be on Thursday, **September 9, 2021**.

This meeting was adjourned at **8:19 p.m.**

Janice Forrest 09/23/201

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Date of approval