NORTHBOROUGH HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes for Monthly Meeting Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Present: Brian Smith, Norm Corbin, Bruce Chute, Julianne Hirsch, Leslie Harrison, Mike Duchesneau, Brian Swanson,

Chairman called the monthly meeting to order at 7:03

• Prior Meeting Minutes

Will vote next month

• Old Business

- Historic Bronze Markers
 - Norm picked up Gale Store and Cold Harbor Bridge signs. Leslie moved to pay the invoices, Norm seconded, unanimously passed
 - Native American sign is on order
- Cemetery Interpretive Signs
 - No activity
 - NHDC CPA Funding Requests
 - The CPC accepted our request for \$8K to hire a contractor to prepare National Register nomination documentation for the Howard Street Cemetery. Next step is to have it passed at Town Meeting.
- White Cliffs Committee Update
 - Still looking at reuse opportunities. Some opportunities will be pursued, others have been ruled out.
- Newspaper Articles
 - One written by Zenya in Community Advocate, Norm's will be out next week
- Rte. 20 Historic Highway Signage
 - Signs are up
- Letters of Appreciation
 - No activity
 - Bruce to provide info on them
- Northgate Neighborhood
 - Julianne has been interviewing people in Northgate. They are excited about telling the story. Originally built by Andrew Lane. Will continue researching.
- o Meeting with Local Historic Districts & Historical Commissions
 - No activity
- o MACRIS Database update
 - Norm sent updated info to the Mass Historic Commission
- Davis Street Farm Auction

Sold last week

• New Business

- o Open Meeting Law Review
 - o Deferred to next meeting
- o Historic Resources list for the 2020 Open Space and Recreation Plan
 - o Norm will update and send list
- o Website thank you from Hampton NH
 - Thanking us for how well the site is constructed, they use it for training purposes
- o Budget status
 - o As of Nov 30, there is ~\$200 left
- Mail
 - o Card from Peaslee School thanking us
- Other
 - Mike painting of the Historical Society. How can Society pursue grant money?

Adjournment: Leslie moved, Brian seconded, unanimously passed