

LYNDEBOROUGH HERITAGE COMMISSION

Friday, April 30, 2021, Town (Center) Hall

Present: Stephanie Roper, Jessie Salisbury, Bob Howe, Lou Rota, Selectman Mark Chamberlain

Also Deb Mortvedt from Wilton Heritage Commission.

Stephanie opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.,

Deb presented a plan being considered by her commission to videotape historic sites as an alternative to the 4th grade tours of both towns.

Cinematographer Kirill Bykanov, currently at High Mowing School, would work with narrators to create a two-to-five minute segment of each site. The finished program would debut at the Town Hall Theater. The goal is to have it finished for Wilton's delayed town meeting on June 10 and enable the fourth grade to see it before the end of school. It would then be available on the town website and as part of the 4th grade curriculum next year.

We are invited to join the program. Tentative cost, still being negotiated, is "about \$100 per site." Our proposed sites are a general history of the town, Town Pound, Lafayette Artillery and cannon, the glass factory, the Pinnacle House, and Clark Pottery. Narrators would tentatively include Walter Holland, Stephanie, Jessie, and Clayton Brown.

Mark moved, Lou seconded, for Jessie and Stephanie to proceed, prepare scripts, and negotiate a contract "not to exceed \$600."

SHOW AND TELL

No presentations

The minutes of March 26 were accepted on a motion by Bob Howe, seconded by Mark.

There was no treasurer's report. One intent-to-cut form was received from Tom Chrisenton.

CENTER HALL REPAIRS

Leo will assess the weather damage to clapboards, roof, and sills and report to the selectmen on Wednesday, May 5. Needed repairs were noted last fall but work was postponed by bad weather.

CENTER CHURCH OPEN HOUSE ON MAY 22

The event will be held from 1 – 3 p.m, with the Town Hall open for coffee. Because the Historical Society has no insurance, the event will be co-sponsored by the Historic District Commission. Information has been obtained for one-day event coverage of future events.

There was a brief discussion of the church, its former floor furnace, previous use of stoves, and “what might be underneath.” Bob said he “looked and didn’t go in.” Leo will be consulted.

WELCOME TO LYNDEBOROUGH SIGNS

The sign maker is to provide several style samples. It was agreed that “Chartered as Salem-Canada in 1735” should be included with the date of incorporation 1764.

COMMON AND MEMORIAL DAY

The flower beds around the flagpole and in front of the monuments are ready, prepared by an unknown person. Flowers will be planted two weeks prior to the holiday as weather permits.

LEE MAYHEW MEMORIAL

Mark said arrangements are still being discussed with the family.

RAILROAD FOUNDATION BRICKS

The picket fence should be replaced. It was placed there as a “temporary protection” about six years ago after construction trucks had parked on it. The bricks are deteriorating, and the proper masonry sealant and application will be determined – ask Bud McEntee. It was decided that a professional should be consulted. Jessie will contact Peter Leischman concerning the placement of a picnic gazebo on the site.

CEMETERY SIGNS

Johnson’s Corner and Perham Corner signs have been received and will be placed by the Cemetery Trustees and the Road Agent.

The North, Whittemore and Grange signs have been ordered.

The only cemetery left is the West (Dolliver) yard.

TOWN HISTORY UPDATE

Work is on hold.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The next meeting was set for Friday, May 28, 2021 at the town hall. The annual meeting of the Historic District Commission will be held at 7 p.m. with the Heritage Commission regular meeting following.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Clerk

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