

LYNDEBOROUGH HERITAGE COMMISSION

Friday, March 4, 2022, Tarbell Library

Members present: Stephanie Roper, Robert Howe, Robert Rogers, Louis Rota, Jessie Salisbury, Selectman Mark Chamberlain

This meeting was postponed from Feb. 25 by inclement weather. Stephanie opened the meeting at 7 p.m.

SHOW AND TELL

No one had anything to share.

The minutes of Jan. 28 were approved on a motion by Mark, seconded by Bob Howe.

The treasurer's report, showed a balance of \$4,221.60 on Jan. 31.

There were no new intent-to-cut forms

WELCOME TO LYNDEBOROUGH SIGNS

On. Feb. 11, the commission received news that our sign maker, Robert Leonard, had passed away in December 2021. His company, Ould Colony Artisans, and its assets, have been purchased by Tim Kearns of Hand Painted Wood Signs of Medford, N.J.

Members decided, via e-mail on Feb. 11 and 12, to contract with his company. The clerk replied to his letter, but has not yet received an answer. She will contact him again.

GIFT OF GLASS

The glass is currently stored in the Town Hall and a new place needs to be found by spring. It has been too cold for Jessie and Stephanie to do any sorting. Several possible storage places were discussed, but no place has been found. The hall will be opened for the summer in April and a decision has to be made before then.

TOWN HISTORY UPDATE

No further work has been done due to schedules and weather.

TOWN HALL AND CITIZENS' HALL REPAIRS

Planned work is on hold until after Town meeting. Mark said brighter lights have been put in the Citizens' Hall meeting room, which will be used for voting on March 8.

CHURCH PURCHASE

Stephanie reported the Historical Society's Fund is now over \$47,000. A Purchase-and-Sales agreement has been drawn up by Attorney Tom Quinn and will be offered to the Lemires as soon as the Society Executive Board has signed off. The preliminary agreement was for a payment of 10 percent with three years to complete the purchase.

Stephanie said LCIP requires half of the purchase price in cash or pledges, so that cannot be applied for this year. With the purchase-and-sales agreement signed, she will apply for several other smaller grants, and fund-raising can be expanded. Several events are being planned for this summer.

GIS MAP PROJECT

Mark has talked with NRPC, but they are making some staff changes. Something may be worked out for this summer. Each cellar hole has to be visited and the coordinates recorded.

OTHER BUSINESS

Jessie said the Woodward Monument site needs be "re-landscaped," that last fall it looked bad. The lilies planted some years ago have not thrived. Replacing them with Siberian iris was suggested as it is hardy and does well in shade. Most iris is purple, but there are yellow ones by the Town Hall ramp, and that area also needs some attention.

Once re-done, Lou said he would "look out for it."

Stephanie said some Community College students will be visiting town "to look at local landmarks," those things that are not on state historic markers. There is no time set.

The next meeting will be Friday, March 25, 7 p.m., at the library.

Clerk

