# LYNDEBOROUGH HERITAGE COMMISSION

Friday, June 30, 7 P.M. Center Hall

Members present: Stephanie Roper, Lou Rota, Bob Howe, Bob Rogers, Jessie Salisbury, and Selectman Mark Chamberlain

A call was received from resident Doug Powers asking if attendees at the Rose Mountain Rumble on Aug. 26 could park at the church if needed. There was no objection, but he was advised to contact the church.

#### SHOW AND TELL

Jessie had a copy of an invoice from Tarbell's Store dated July 15, 1863, a gift to the Historical Society, and an article from the N.H. Sunday News of June 25 describing renovations of four murals at the old Park Theater in Jaffrey by Curtains Without Borders. The murals were painted by Carl Nelson, a resident of Lyndeborough from 1910 to 1933.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$5,801.58.

The minutes of June 2 were accepted on a motion by Bob Rogers, seconded by Lou.

There was one intent-to-cut on Schoolhouse Road.

## STONE ARCH BRIDGES

A preliminary report was received from Thistle Stone Works and accepted as being comprehensive and explaining the inspection clearly. The history will be corrected: the bridges were built in 1873 by mill owner Alvaro Buttrick. The road and bridges were accepted by the town in 1893.

The two arches are described as being in "fair to good condition," with several areas that will eventually need repair. The report suggests monitoring as there is now a baseline, and it was decided that it should be done twice a year by the road agent and others. The inspector will be asked what should be done to stabilize the arches, to prioritize the repairs, to estimate the costs of the work and who should make them.

The town needs to determine the width of the town's right-of-way.

Abutters Joe and Mary Ann Rocco should be advised of anything being done. The best access to the larger arch is through their yard.

A historic marker has been ordered from Stadium Graphics.

## THE TOWN CHARTER

The 1764 town charter was re-located in the town clerk's closet. The search was made after the charter's original case was found. The Historical Society had it framed in the 1970s. The commission recommends that it be re-framed using new archival methods and a copy made for public display, keeping the original in storage. Costs will be determined.

## WELCOME TO LYNDEBORUGH SIGNS

Signs for the 2<sup>nd</sup> N.H. Turnpike have been ordered.

# 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TOUR ON JUNE 8

The tour was termed a success. The students were well prepared and well behaved. Bob Howe gave them a lesson in taxation: the Pound was built in 1774 to house livestock taken in lieu of taxes.

## TRUCK DAY ON JUNE 10

Although it rained intermittently, those attending had a good time, parents as well as children. It will be tried again with better advertising.

## **COMMUNITY DAY**

The event was set for Sunday, Aug. 27, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Center Hall, to take advantage of the tent used on the previous day by Rose Mt. Rumble.

Children's crafts will be organized by Regina Conrad, the library program director, but games are needed.

Fire trucks, road equipment, and Lou's farm tractor will be on display.

The Lafayette Artillery Company will take part.

The Fire Department will be asked if they wish to provide lunch as a fund raiser.

A craft fair and a farmers' market will be available. Lou will contact area farmers.

Live music is wanted – Lou will check out local bands.

Admission and participation will be free, with donations gratefully accepted to support the purchase of the church.

The event will be advertised in various ways by August 1.

## FENCING FOR THE COMMON

Stephanie has purchased several more sections of the metal fencing to go around the railroad foundation. How much is needed will be determined. Installation will be coordinated with Road Agent Rick McQuade. The picket fence now in place is deteriorating and "looks awful."

Fencing to be placed behind the monuments and along the waterway will also be determined. This is a safety matter as families are encouraged to use the Common.

## DAMAGE TO STONE CULVERTS

Mark said the loggers on French Road were required to place matting over the old culverts to prevent further damage. Culverts on other Class 6 roads will be monitored, if they are used.

#### **TOWN HISTORY**

A book signing has been set for Saturday, July 15, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Tarbell Library.

#### **GIS PROJECT**

No update.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Jessie asked about the glass display cases being stored at the Center Hall. They will remain there unless we are asked to move them.

Lou said Joe Rogers, owner of the former Congregational Parsonage, asked that the Commission be told that he is having a 1791 barn reconstructed on his property as historically accurately as possible. He is to be commended as his property is adjacent to, but not part of, the Historic District.

The next meeting was set for Friday, July 28, 7 p.m., at Center Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.