

## ACCEPTED MINUTES

### DEERFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023 5:30 PM

IN PERSON AT THE TOWN HALL

*\* note: The May meeting of the DHC was not held because of lack of a quorum. Most of the agenda for this meeting was carried over from then*

Present: John Nove (Chair), Bonita Conlon, Henrietta Kocot, Ben Bensen (Clerk). Also, Chris Harris, interested citizen and member of the Deerfield 350th committee.

Meeting called to order at 5:35pm

**Clerk's Report:** April meeting minutes for posting: Bonita moved for their acceptance; Henrietta seconded; all approved.

**Budget Report:** \$779.90, approved at a previous meeting, was spent on archival storage boxes for the Town records being moved to the PVMA. We also spent \$90.00 for a town-wide households mailing list for postcards related to Historic Deerfield's 350th issue of their Magazine (coming out soon). The first 350 residents who bring their cards to the HD Shop can get a free copy of this issue of the magazine. 'Official' balance in the DHC account at the end of FY'23 to be determined.

### **Old Business/Updates:**

- 350th update - There are at least three more Sunday afternoon historical talks to come, approximately once a month. The parade will be live-streamed, and there will be refreshments at a "post parade party and fun" event. Fireworks at 9:30pm.

- Sugarloaf St.Cemetery and Mt.Sugarloaf signage - Work continues. For the latter, new signage on DCR properties must go on existing structures and are subject to stringent review.

- Town Meeting / CPA projects. Money was awarded to the PVMA Library for the continued conservation and repair of historic account books. Also, wording of the restriction on PVMA's ownership of the Indian House, part of an earlier CPA-funded project, has been clarified, and approved by Town Meeting. The Town, via the Historical Commission will be the holder of the Historic Preservation Restriction on the property.

- 'Old" Pine Nook Cemetery - Nothing new, but Chris will check on progress; hopefully the funding will be extended because of COVID. Bud Driver and Ben would prefer to work in late fall or winter.

### **New Business:**

- Thanks to Jennifer Remillard, for her past service to the Commission.

- Potential archaeological surveys include the Sunny Dayz cannabis project on Rtes. 5/10 and two rain gardens in Old Deerfield.

- The PVMA Town Hall display for Deerfield's 350th, organized by Ray Radigan and interns, will be there until September, then displayed at the PVMA.

- The Greenfield Historical Commission will be hiring qualified historical inventories to assess the historic structures in that town and create MHC Form Bs. John will approach this group to ask for a copy of the list of the people/firms who applied so that we can approach them to complete our own North Main St. inventory.

- Bloody Brook monument has not been cleaned yet, but Chris says it appears to be stable and can be cleaned, and will be, soon.

The next meeting will be here at 5:30 on July 10, 2023.

Ben moved, Bonita seconded that we adjourn; all approved.