



Ware

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Historical Commission
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Meeting Minutes from April 24, 2017

Meeting took place at Town Hall, 126 Main Street, Ware

Historical Commission members present: Lynn Lak (Chairman), Cindi LaBombard, Kathy Galford, Judi Mosso, Martha Rohan, Lorrie Willette, Wanda Mysona

Historical Commission members absent: none

Public: Stuart Beckley

Restoration Committee Members:
Jane Desjardins, Pat Skutnik, Mary Midura

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

1. Administrative

- a) Approve minutes from March 27 – Motion by Kathy Galford to accept the minutes as presented; seconded by Wanda Mysona. So voted 7/0/0.
- b) Treasurer's Report – K. Galford presented the report. Motion by Cindi LaBombard to accept the report as presented. Seconded by Martha Rohan. So voted 7/0/0.

2. Special Projects

a) Town Hall

- i. Restoration Committee Four volunteers attended the meeting: Jane Desjardins, Patricia Scutnik and Mary Midura . We hope to have a table set up at Grenville Park for the 5K Sparkle Run (fundraiser for fireworks). Setting up a Friends of Ware Town Hall tax exempt account was discussed. Mary Midura will look into this. A table will be set up at the Sparkle Run. Information about the Committee, and Church Street walk pamphlets will be passed out. Pat Skutnik will notify residents of Church St. about the pamphlets. A newsletter was discussed, and fundraising ideas included: a play, something to sell, such as Tshirts, an event at the Town Hall such as a

50's dance or Harvest Ball; a catered event to highlight the building, including a tour.

- ii. Great Hall – *The group went on a tour of the Great Hall. Stuart explained the situation with the summer interns. They will be able to paint, but can only go up so high. We will need a professional to do the rest. Historic colors were discussed. Kathy and Stuart will see to chipping down to get the original color. Plexiglass inserts and extending the posts of the balcony railing were both discussed. Cindi will price both ways. The fire curtain was discussed. Stuart said it is made of asbestos as must be thrown out. Kathy will discuss options with Ian.*

3. Old Business & Updates

- a) Finance Committee Meeting - *Kathy Galford discussed the meeting she attended.*
- b) Great Hall – *It was discussed whoever does work on the railing may be able to do the work on the stage ceiling fire door. Cindi will call Chris Dymond about scaffolding.*

4. New Business

- a) Comments and concerns from citizens – *none.*
- b) Granby Town Hall – *a field trip was discussed to attend a meeting at the Granby Town Hall on Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30 to hear about their restoration plans.*
- c) Sparkle Run – *scheduled for Saturday, May 13th. A table will be set up with information about the commission.*
- d) Memorial Day observation / Schmidt Trust – *Quabbin Memorial is scheduled for Sunday, May 28 at 11:00. L. Lak and L. Willette will walk.*

5. Mail & Announcements

- a) Newsletter – *Friends of Quabbin*
- b) Dinn Brothers
- c) Pioneer Valley Planning Commission postcard – *annual meeting June 15, 2017*

- 6. Adjourn** – *Motion by K. Galford to adjourn. Seconded by M. Rohan.*

Documents reviewed at meeting

April 24 minutes

Treasurer's report

Documents received at meeting

None

*Respectfully submitted by
Lorrie Willette, Commission Secretary*