



TOWN OF WARE

Historical Commission
126 Main Street, Ware, Massachusetts 01082

Minutes from meeting held
October 24, 2012

Present: Sharon Biskup, Kathy Galford, Cindi Labombard, Lynn Caulfield Lak,
Judi Mosso

Chairman, Lynn Caulfield Lak called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

1. Approval of September Minutes – Motion by S. Biskup, seconded K. Galford, to accept the September minutes as presented. Unanimous.
2. Guest Craig Simmons - Craig stated that he is here tonight before the Commission as a resident, and not as a representative of the Cemetery Commission. He asked the Commission to consider partnering with the Cemetery Commission for future projects like adding signage to the East Church Cemetery and Brimstone Hills Cemetery on Greenwich Plains Road. He suggested that the local printer and photographer, Charles W. Eddy should have a more conspicuous marker. The Commission generally agreed to support the Cemeteries but noted that our focus this year is the fountain restoration. We asked for the costs of what specific signs the Cemetery Commission wants. Craig will e.mail Lynn general cemetery information.
3. Treasurer's Report - K. Galford distributed the latest financial report. Additional deposits have been made; we made \$163 from selling the Goudreau prints of Nenameseck Square with help from FamilyFirst Bank. K. Galford will contact Bill Braman, Chairman of the Ware Business and Civic Association about proceeds from the Fall Fest earlier this month. Motion by J. Mosso, seconded by C. Labombard, to accept the financial report as presented. Unanimous.
4. Special Projects
 - a. Methodist (Episcopal) Church at 13 Church Street – Rock Goudreau and Chris DiMarzio purchased the building for \$1,000. The Commission will offer to help as we can as the building is on the list of 10 Most Endangered Historical Places in MA.
 - b. Town Hall study – no update.
 - c. Nenameseck Square – The quote of \$23,800 from Robinson Iron (RI) to restore the fountain is good until October.

- d. South Street School – no update.
- 5. 250th Anniversary Committee/Book Group – The next meeting will discuss how the book will be distributed. The Ware Flair will have a book signing. The price is yet undetermined. Cindi is the contact for the book.
- 6. Old Business –
 - a. New Banner – K. Galford explained pricing and will inquire about poles/holders.
 - b. Fall Fest / partial proceeds to fountain restoration – K. Galford will call but not immediately as not all of the money is in from the merchants.
- 7. New Business
 - a. Quabbin's 75th Remembrance - an informational meeting was recently held with attendance from area historical commissions including a representative of the MA Historical Commission. C. Labombard spoke to him about a flag to display and corrections to our inventory. We will review potential corrections first. Ball is scheduled for April 27; sponsors not finalized yet.
- 8. Mail – We received a letter from the state regarding the established budgets for grants. Grant guidelines probably not appropriate for fountain work. Judi will pass grant info along to Karen Cullen, Town Planner.
- 9. Other – L. Lak stated that she may reduce her involvement for the time being due to health reasons.
- 10. Adjourn - Motion by J. Mosso, seconded by S. Biskup, to adjourn 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Judith P. B. Mosso, Secretary.

**This was the last meeting for 2012.