

Pelham Historical Commission Meeting
June 18, 2013

MINUTES

Present: Joe Larson, Karl Martini, Tom Hartman, Charles Thompson
Guests: Bruce Klotz,

Meeting started at 7:35pm

Minutes – Martini, for May accepted

Treasurer's Report – Thompson

The Treasurer presented the current and past history of the accounts for the year. Our operating account is down to \$0.15, new expenses have to wait for the next fiscal cycle.

Old Business

Progress on CPA Funded Projects

Phases IV and V of Historic Building Inventory

Joe met with Kathy Keyes this past Sunday. He was shown one room containing Rob Keyes historic archive and another room of books about history, these materials included extensive Pelham family histories. Proper disposition / storage of these historic materials needs space, question still remains which is the best place (maybe UMass). Kathy has two sets of computer discs holding the historical descriptions for the buildings comprising Phase IV and Phase V of the historic town survey. They are labeled preliminary and final drafts. We have thus established the needed materials on computer disk. We will do a separate purchase for each Phase. Joe will prepare an invoice for each. This being a sole source Joe needs first to talk to town procurement office Laurier; this is also the conclusion of an ongoing long-term relation with Keyes and project as a whole. Sarah will do the remaining architectural descriptions after July 1st. The pictures need still to be printed on archive able paper.

Renovation of Exterior of Pelham Hill Church/Museum

Rick and Joe finalized the bidding documents for the painting of the outside of the church / museum. They are similar to ones used for the painting of the town hall. The sashes and handicap access ramp are done separately from the exterior and steeple. Some wood needs to be replaced on handicap ramp. The bid needs to be open for 30 days. Will use same language and requirement as for the town hall.

Fish Rod Factory Dam Display Installation Date and newly discovered dam upstream

The installation date is still unknown. The sign for the site is made. Joe emailed MHC asking if the newly uncovered wooden dam is an archeological or historical site, then connected them to Alex. We got photographs of it. Tom Lederle, on who's property the dam is located, signed off that it can be removed.

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New Business

Cemetery Commission Project

Joe asked Buzzy Booth about a list of what needs to be done at the cemeteries and the associated priorities. Joe already has obtained photographs of all cemeteries. He reported on the existence of a commercial website that actually has a list of all people buried and all headstones in town.

Also Connie Kindahl's son did an inventory in 1970's. Bruce did put it on the library web site.

Still need an expert to advise us on what to do exactly for the different problems that are identified. We will ask Buzzy to join us at another meeting.

Monthly Updates

Historic Complex – Robb

Community Hall – Robb

Historical Society - Bigelow

Next Meeting: 07/16/13 (third Tuesday) at 7:30pm History Room, Pelham Library
Adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, KM