

## **Wayland Historical Commission**

### **Meeting Minutes**

December 4, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

In the Select Board Meeting Room, Wayland Town Building, In Person and on Zoom

**Present:** Katherine Gardner-Westcott, Sherry Anne Bryant, Brad Carver, Rick Conard, Ann Gordon, Tonya Largy, Amanda Ciaccio

K. Gardner-Westcott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Comment: None

**Review of Minutes:** MOTION: B. Carver moved and S.A. Bryant seconded that we accept the amended minutes from November 6, 2023. VOTE: 7-0 in favor

### **Wayland High School History Website**

This site is no longer available online. The High School tech person has asked the Historical Society to take it over. The Historical Society is willing to take it on. K. Gardner-Westcott asks the WHC if we would be interested in taking it over instead of the Historical Society. She feels it would be a good way to promote what we do. Discussion about where it would best fit.

MOTION: A. Ciaccio moved and B. Carver seconded to ask K. Gardner-Westcott to investigate the idea of adding the information to our website, to find out what would be necessary. VOTE: 7-0 in favor.

### **Cemeteries**

No update. We expect to meet with Epoch Preservation in the new year.

### **Stone's Bridge**

PMBC will not (does not) send a letter of support to CPC for the Stone's Bridge project. They did determine to ask for \$400K more.

### **Archaeology**

T. Largy reported that she is still working on getting materials back to Framingham. She is also still involved in the 1 Weir Meadow site. The construction company contact did not keep T. Largy in the loop about the construction schedule, so she and Kathy McGrath did not go to the site yet. T. Largy will pursue it with architect Doug Sacra. A. Ciaccio continues to work on the inventory in the lab.

A. Ciaccio sent the video link to the Commissioners. The video needs to be edited, and A. Ciaccio is not hearing back from Chris Thompson. We do not want to pay him until the project is complete. A. Ciaccio will look into getting a check and holding it until we are ready to pay him.

### **House Plaques**

Plaques for 105 and 148 Plain Road are done, and the 148 Plain Rd. plaque is on the house. The 5 Stanton Road plaque will be smaller and is not yet finished.

### **Rail Trail and Railroad**

R. Conard reported that David Graf, contractor, has delivered additional parts for the train order signal. He met with Scott Sweeney who is working on the lamp, and agreed to the fabrication of a bracket for the top of the lamp.

Some of the wooden section that was cut out of the order signal post is in the Lab. There is also a bell – a “dinner bell” type. It was attached to the outside of the building.

No word yet on the grant application for the Tower Hill vinyl wrap. S.A. Bryant’s son, a graphic designer, will work with Rick on the design, when funded.

### **Reports from Other Boards**

B. Carver, T. Largy and R. Conard went to the recent PMBC meeting. There was some discussion of Loker Field. S. A. Bryant watched part of a recent Select Board meeting in which the board voted not to support the article that is the subject of the Dec. 6 Special Town Meeting. R. Conard reported that the Conservation Commission at its Nov. 8 meeting voted to deny issuing the order of conditions at the former Mahoney site. K. Gardner-Westcott reported that the Conservation Commission did not agree with the Commonwealth about the status of the stream at the School Street site, and the developer has increased the number of planned units back up to 24.

T. Largy commented that the Mahoney’s property includes a population of trout from the glacier and any runoff or other disturbances will affect them. A. Ciaccio noted that Launcher Way is on the Planning and the Select Board agendas.

### **New Business**

We have received a request from Veritas School to review and comment on their plans to build/rehab a school at 167 Cochituate Road. The Mass Historical Commission had asked that they contact us.

Joanne Bertelson Barnett has written a book about growing up in Wayland.

MOTION: B. Carver and T. Largy moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. VOTE: 7-0 in favor

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Gordon