

STONEHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION

February 3, 2003 -- Meeting Minutes
Public Library

Present: Rosemarie McDonald, Peggy O'Keefe, Steve Rotondi, Bee Russo, Marcia Wengen and Betty Whelan

Excused: Peter Bracciotti

- 1) The meeting began at 7:43 PM with the distribution of the following documents: a.) minutes from the January 6th meeting b.) a chronology on Daniel Price drawn from papers located at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) in Washington DC.
- 2) John Warren arrived for the planned CPA presentation by Jeff Hoyland of Bedford, MA. Mr. Hoyland did not appear. Marcia will contact him.
- 3) The members discussed the fate of the Old Central School with John Warren. Apparently there are several bidders, including the SEEM Collaborative, who are interested in renting the space for July 1st. He also noted that the Colonial Park renovations are ahead of schedule and the Robin Hood renovations are on schedule.
- 4) John reminded the members of the free March 1st CPA Forum in Bedford. Marcia will re-send the e-mail notice from Chris Saccardi to the members.
- 5) The members approved the minutes from the January 6, 2003 meeting.
- 6) The members reviewed the information on Daniel Price, born Daniel Breslin on 3/1/1870 in Ireland. He immigrated in 1889 and likely lived at 27 Pine Street. Rosemarie will review the paperwork from NARA. Betty will look for his name in the Historical Society Valuation Books. Marcia will contact Joe DiSisto to determine if there are residency requirements for veterans to be honored. Steve has several locations in mind for his memorial plaque, including North Main Street and the island between Mass Bank and the Mobil station.
- 7) Marcia will ask Dave Berry about the status of the \$385 budget for FY'04.
- 8) Bee presented the Massachusetts Historical Commission's 25th Annual Preservation Awards nomination form. She will check with

Rick Johnson to see if he is interested in nominating the Sweetser House. She will also check to see if the Stoneham Theatre nomination can be resubmitted given that the dates are January 1999 through December 2002. Apparently the photographs were not returned from the previous submission.

- 9) Bee reminded the members that the Old House Fair is at the Cyclorama Building this coming weekend (Feb 8th and 9th).
- 10) Steve asked that the Historical Commission write a letter supporting the Gutierrez project at the BMRC site. Marcia expressed concern that the members have not seen the plans for roadway improvements. Rosemarie asked Marcia to send a second request for information to the EOEA.

The meeting ended at 8:58 PM

Submitted by,

Marcia M. Wengen
Secretary