

## **STONEHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

February 2, 2009 - Meeting Minutes \*  
Stoneham Public Library

*Present:* Joan Quigley, Joanne DiMambro, Stephen Rotondi, Margaret Warren, Marcia Wengen, Christopher Willard

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

1. Meeting minutes

- The minutes of January 5, 2009 were accepted.

2. Treasurer's Report

- Joanne reported a \$310 balance in the Operating Account after receiving an invoice of \$15 for the OBG open house sign.

3. Fire Station

- A copy of the painting punch list was presented. Three of the four overhead doors were painted before the cold weather set in.
- The skylight replacement specs are finished, the project is under \$25,000 and will only require three quotations. The architect did list the project in the Central Register but there is no need for local newspaper advertising which would have cost \$240+/-.

4. Web Site

- Marcia reported problems loading the March 2008 minutes. Chris tried it and was successful.
- Chris presented a sample map of Historic Register houses by style. Marcia noted that the list is incomplete and four properties should be added and the demolition at 357 William Street removed making the total 65 properties.

5. Historical House Marker Program

- Margaret is waiting for the order with Gamit for three markers: 119 Franklin St., 10 Waverly St., and 21 Collincote St. The markers should be ready soon.
- The poster will be at the HC's "Research Your House" Day this Saturday.
- Steve did not have an answer from Sharon Iovanni about including the House Marker application in her welcome kit
- Depending on what the Chamber says, Margaret is willing to approach realtor Carolyn Lassiter about the markers.

6. Old Burying Ground/Final Addresses

- No progress.
- Joanne continues to encourage Helen Lister to participate in an oral history project. Joan knows that Corrine Barry's mother would be interested in participating.

7. Dow Building Cell Antenna

- The members were sent a copy of the MHC January 2, 2009 letter asking EBI to further explore antenna enclosures that are more stylistically compatible with the building. A discussion ensued and the members were polled resulting in the same 4-1 vote in favor of the 8' smokestack proposal. Joanne noted that she was not present at the October meeting but would have voted in favor of the smokestacks.
- Marcia will notify the members when the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting is rescheduled. She plans to attend the meeting, but as the dissenting vote, she asked that another member be present.

8. Measured Mile

- Margaret reported on the Safe Routes to School subcommittee's walk on January 6. She presented a draft of a proposed historical walk between Franklin Street and Pleasant Street with ten markers. Although alternatives were discussed, no changes were made. Margaret will present the draft at tomorrow's subcommittee meeting.
- Margaret stressed the need for family friendly signs in well trafficked areas.

9. Annual Report

- Steve presented his Annual Report. Minor date corrections were made.

10. New Business

- Steve noted that the Goodale house in Ipswich recently went on the market at \$1.3 million. It has both National Register Listing and a Preservation Restriction, much like the Warren Sweetser House.

The meeting ended at 8:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia M. Wengen, Secretary

\*on 8/18/2014: I changed today to February 2, 2009; originally dated January 5, 2009