

STONEHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION

March 3, 2008 - Meeting Minutes
Stoneham High School

Present: Joanne DiMambro, Stephen Rotondi, Margaret Warren, Marcia Wengen, Christopher Willard.

Excused: Joan Quigley

Before the official meeting, Chris Willard conducted an educational session on how to make modifications to our web page at www.stonehamhistoricalcommission.us

The meeting was called to order at 8:42 p.m.

1. Meeting minutes

The minutes of February 4, 2008 were accepted.

2. Treasurer's Report

Joanne reported no expenses against our FY 2008 budget of \$385.

3. Fire Station

Copies of the architect's cost estimates totaling \$140,000 were distributed. This document has been sent to MHC and will part of the contract between the state and Stoneham.

4. Annual Report

Steve distributed copies of the 2007 Annual Report. No changes were made by the members. A copy will be sent to Muriel Doherty.

5. Final Address Project

- Marcia reported that David Armato shredded the scripts for the OBG video. Members will check for copies of their scripts.
- Marcia reported that Tom Doyle would be willing to video our OBG project. He can edit for a final product but will need a DVD of any photos or maps we would like him to insert into the video. He is not sure what format is required, but will find out.

6. Old Burying Ground

- Nothing new but Marcia needs to follow-up on the auto body company's barriers where the new fence was installed and Joan/Marcia will deal with the graffiti on the front wall of the OBG in the spring.

7. Heritage Award

- Marcia distributed a letter dated February 20, 2008 from David Armato nominating the Friends of the Fells for our Heritage Award.
- Marcia will advertise in the SUN and Independent for nominations due April 2, 2008 to Stephen Rotondi, Chairman.
- Steve suggested that we consider Zach Kline for his project to inventory the head and foot stones in the OBG.

8. Other Business

- Steve announced that the Preservation Week speaker will be Jay Robbins, Jr., great-great grandson of John Botume. It is not known if he charges a fee.
- Steve announced that the Historical Society is interested in participating in a historical plaque program. Marcia will draft possible policies/procedures for both organizations to review.

The meeting ended at 8:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia M. Wengen, Secretary