

## **STONEHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

May 2, 2006 - Meeting Minutes  
Stoneham Senior Center

*Present:* David Armato, Stephen Rotondi, Marcia Wengen

*Guest:* Christopher Willard

Steve Rotondi called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. He reported that Attorney Solomon declared 3 members a quorum since it is a majority of the current members. Chris' application will be voted on at the May 9 Selectmen's meeting. The following business was transacted:

1. Reports – The minutes for the March 6 meeting were accepted as presented. The Treasurer's report: \$385 for operating expenses with \$100 earmarked for the speaker on May 11. An \$49.99 invoice was approved for a tent canopy to be used at Town Day. The new balance will be \$235.01. On page 30 of the Annual Town report, our Donation account is listed as "Stoneham Historical Com Square Parking Study". Marcia will discuss this error with Ron Castignetti.
2. Web Page - Chris reported that the Town web page is up, as of March 31, but there is no information on the Historical Commission. He continues to work on our web page so that the design and colors will resemble the Town page.
3. Rename Sam Miles Circle – The plastic bag remains off the street sign "Micah's Pond Way".
4. Membership – Joan Quigley from Merrow Lane was invited to this evening's meeting as a guest. Marcia will check to see if she is still interested.
5. OBG Inventory – In an effort to automate the inventory of the Old Burying Ground as much as possible, Chris will approach vendors about supplying the Girl Scouts with PalmPilots. He asked for a letter of support from the Historical Commission that he could include with these requests. He would be working to get everything donated. If he can only get the PalmPilots then he could create the software for free or he would have the option of purchasing a program which would cost \$40-\$60 for each unit. Marcia will work on a series of actual headstone photographs that will serve as an inventory guide for the Scouts.
6. Heritage Award – The members voted to present the 2006 Heritage Award to Helen, Norma and Robert Lister for their lifelong commitment to preserving Stoneham' history and for adding a preservation restriction to the deed for 342 William Street which they sold in November, 2005. Chris was able to

access an e-mail from Bee Russo and Betty Whelan nominating the Lister Family. The announcement will be made at the May 23 Selectmen's meeting.

7. Preservation Month - Alan Seaburg, the speaker on "Frederic Tudor, Ice King" will be at our joint meeting with the Historical Society on Thursday May 11.

The meeting ended at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia M. Wengen,  
Secretary