

STONEHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION

September 12, 2005 - Meeting Minutes
Senior Center

Present: David Armato, Stephen Rotondi, Marcia Wengen, Christopher Willard

Steve Rotondi called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. The following business was transacted:

1. Reports – The minutes for the June 15th meeting were accepted as presented. David reviewed the Treasurer's report for June 30th with a balance of \$41.98.
2. Web site – the HC web page associated with the town has static information on it, including but not limited to the annual report, the Heritage Award, our meeting schedule. Chris is considering the addition of content management software for the HC's own web page so that it can be more dynamic and current. The pages are linked. The development of a plan to activate the town's web site is still under consideration by Tom Cicatelli and Chris Willard.
3. Rename Sam Miles Circle – DPW states that the Micah's Pond Way sign has been erected. A black plastic bag has been covering the sign since July. Marcia will contact Mr. Santullo, the realtor and the Assessors Office to research the problem.
4. Book Donation - The members agreed to donate the five copies of "Images of Stoneham" to the Middle School, Robin Hood, Colonial Park, St. Pat's and Edgewood. A presentation will be arranged with the School Committee. The sixth copy may go to the Public Library.
5. Town Day Report – the HC table saw a modest number of people interested in the storyboard about the Fosdick House. Four citizens made inquiries that will be followed-up. We need to continue our presence at Town Day. An awning would be helpful, if we could afford to rent or purchase one.
6. Meeting Schedule for 2005-6 – the meeting schedule was approved and will be logged at Town Hall.
7. Membership – Marcia invited three townspeople to attend this meeting: Joan Quigley from Merrow Lane, Susan Beccia, a former member of the Finance Board and Rob Mirabile, a young man who approached the HC table at Town Day and seems enthusiastic about Stoneham's history. Marcia will ask Ron Florino about running an article in the Globe Northwest.
8. Ideas for the coming year – Steve said no activity on the demolition delay by-law until we have a full board. Steve is interested in adding Stoneham names

to the Find-a-Grave web site. Marcia will research an optional web site local to New England for next month's meeting.

9. Open Forum – a letter will be prepared in response to the July 12, 2005 request for comments on the proposed addition of telecommunications gear to the roof of One Montvale Ave. The property is not within the Central Historic District, although there is one National Register property at 2 Montvale Ave-the John Steele Double House and on Flint Ave. at the Cogan House.

The meeting ended at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia M. Wengen
Secretary