
Southbridge Historical Commission

Minutes

Meeting November 20, 2008, held in the Recreation Room, Town Hall at 6:00pm

Attending: Margaret Morrissey, Peter Preble, Evelyn Petrelli, Helen Lenti, Bruce Newlands
Excused: Keith Vezeau, Bob Tremblay

Meeting called to order at 6:10pm chaired by Margaret Morrissey

Minutes of the October meeting were discussed but as no printed version was available they were not accepted. Will need approve minutes at the next meeting.

The re-pointing of the entrance to the Oakridge Cemetery was brought up. The Southbridge Historical Society will be approached for help on this project.

The Meet & Greet was a great success. Commissioners Margaret Morrissey, Evelyn Petrelli, Helen Lenti, & Keith Vezeau were present to represent the Commission. Another Meet & Greet has been scheduled for June 2009 all are requested to attend.

Election – The need for an election was mentioned and the Chair asked each person present to consider taking a position. An election will be scheduled in the future.

The Chair made note that regardless of what was printed in the News, the Deneson will was not lost! The Will is now out on display for all to see. Commissioner Vezeau has volunteered his time for an evaluation of the document for preservation. A report is forth coming. This is another project where the Historical Society might be approached for assistance.

Treasurers Report – The Treasurer reports that no monies have been expended since the last meeting and the balance remains at \$730.84

GDBG Grant Review

140 Chapin Street – The owners of this house would like to ask for lead paint abatement, insulation, and vinyl siding. If the homeowner replaces the present skin of the building with vinyl then it is no longer a historic property. A note as made on the form and returned to Economic Development.

91 Everett Street – Homeowner seeking help with a new roof and siding. The existing façade of this home is very handsome and the Commission would like to see the present siding (cedar shakes) repaired or replaced with the same material if possible. A note was made and returned to Economic Development.

New Business

Commissioner Lenti made mention of two water colors of the Notre Dame Church that she was given. A discussion ensued about what could be done. Commissioner Lenti will donate the paintings to the Historical Commission. A suggestion was made that they could be framed and

placed on loan with the Jacob Edwards Library. The paintings will be available for viewing at the next meeting of the Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter-Michael Preble
Secretary, Southbridge Historical Commission