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**Minutes of the Sandwich Historical Commission
May 1, 2019**

Present: Members: Lisa Hassler (chair), Jennifer Madden, Carolyn Crowell, Bill Daley, Greg Antman, Ellen Carlson. Town Archivist Deb Rich. Member of the press Paul Gately (The Broadsider).

Call to order: Chair Lisa Hassler called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

1. Review and Approval of Minutes: The April minutes were unanimously approved as revised - Ellen Carlson is not leaving the SHC, she will be stepping down to an alternate member.

2. Correspondence / Statements / Announcements / Follow Up:

Jennifer received at her house invitations for all SHC members from Chatham inviting us to their preservation awards.

Paul Gately wrote an article about the mileage markers that were placed in celebration of the 300th anniversary of the establishment of Plymouth. These markers are located on the Sandwich/Bourne town line on Route 6A, Main Street, and the East Sandwich/Barnstable town line on Route 6A.

Jim Coogan article about the firefighter marker located on Route 130. Carolyn pointed out that before the construction of Route 6, this section of Route 130 was located to the west of its current location, and the marker faced the east side of the road at that time. Route 130 needed to be modified to accommodate Route 6, (moving to the east) so the marker was turned to face the new road.

3. Public forum: none

4. Staff meeting: Sandwich History – Bill Daley. In May of 1911 William Eaton dedicated the Civil War monument in Sandwich. The idea of a Civil War monument had been broached multiple times, but had been tabled indefinitely by the town. William Eaton was a Sandwich rags-to-riches story. His father died when he was very young, and William was forced to leave school and work at the glass factory. As an adult, he made his money in real estate in Brockton. When he died he left money for a scholarship and a memorial to be given to Christmas for people who couldn't afford a good meal. The town still administers these funds.

Membership – we need full members.

Community Preservation Committee update – no update. Bill Daley will be our new representative to replace Ellen Carlson.

5. Old business:

Preservation Awards – members discussed details and logistics of getting the preservation awards ceremony organized.

Sand Hill School Community Center – Amidon Woodworking is done with the exterior carved wooden sign for the building, and Jennifer put them in touch with the town for delivery and installation.



6. New Business:

Historic markers – Bill Daley. 168 Main Street, Gustavus Howland 1868. Unanimously approved.
30 Church Street, John Barker 1848. Unanimously approved.

Volpe Mausoleum – Bill Daley. This is at 8th green at Sandwich Hollows. Sam Volpe built the golf course. He died in 1978, and had this mausoleum built for his wife and himself of imported Italian marble, gold leaf on the ceiling, stained glass windows, and an Italian mosaic. The tombs are in the basement.

Historic District hearing May 8 – on the agenda is the demolition of 1 Harbor Street.

Lisa went to look at the interior of the Deacon Eldred house. The house is in much worse condition than it was a couple years ago. The town has to figure out what to do with it. We should make a recommendation and we will talk about it at the next meeting.

7. Public forum: none

8. Other business: none

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Madden