

Minutes
of the
Sandwich Historical Commission
Meeting Date: September 14, 2016

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Present: Greg Anderson, David Schrader, Carolyn Crowell, Brandon Carrico, Lisa Hassler, Jennifer Madden, Deb Rich. **Absent:** Bill Daley, Jeff Thomas, Phil Austin.

1. Call to Order:

Greg called the meeting to order at 5:06 PM.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes:

Dave Schrader moved to approve the minutes of August 3rd, the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

3. Staff Meeting:

The meeting began with Carolyn describing two locations of historical significance that many residents would not know about. The two locations are cow underpasses that can be found by Sandwich Motor lodge, and the second can be found on Old County Rd. They are a testament to Sandwich's agricultural past.

The next piece of business touched upon was regarding the Cedarville RFP. Work is not expected to begin until spring next year with the entire process going out to bid this fall. Additionally, a number of photographs were found that contain locations in Sandwich from various points in time. Efforts to make the photos available to the public online digitally are in motion.

Next on the Agenda was talk of the Sand Hill School, Greg was clear that he wants this preservation topic on the agenda for the foreseeable future. Talk revolved around cooperation with the Friends of Clark Haddad Committee whose business plan for the school is to be presented at the Board of Selectmen meeting. The most pressing issue brought up was the appropriation of funds that would be provided by the Community Preservation Fund. David stated that the funds in the Preservation Fund do not impact taxes in anyway and the Fund itself consists of already pre-allocated money. The school will be on the next Town Meeting in late fall with the Commission now focused on providing evidence to support the effort for the continued maintaining of the building.

Greg stated that he is very focused on promoting the work that the SHC does and wants to formally put a plan together on how to do so. He discussed moving the venue of the monthly meeting to the Sandwich Community TV Studio in order to video tape each meeting and allow the public to see it on demand. Greg also indicated that he would like to host television shows on the work Jennifer Madden has done on the cemetery projects in town and the work Bill Daley has



done with the historic markers (among other things). Further, he called on the local newspapers to help educate the public about this commission, how it differs from the District, and what we can and cannot do. Greg is enthusiastic about this and is eager to move this initiative forward.

Brandon moved to have all future meetings televised for broadcast. Carolyn seconded, and it was passed unanimously.

4. New Business:

Old SHC meeting minutes were found, bringing up a conversation regarding retention of public records. It was decided to digitize the minutes to make them available to members of the public.

Adjournment:

Dave Schrader motioned to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

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