

STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of Feb. 7, 2019

Members present: Dot Spaulding-DS, Rosemary Bawn-RB, Andy Crosby-AC,
Patrick Hopkins (absent) quorum *present*

Associate members present: Barbara Clancy-BC

Others present: G.H. Gledhill, Marilyn Zavorski

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with a quorum present.

The **minutes** for the Jan. 10 and Jan. 31, 2019 meetings were approved. Motion to approve both month's minutes was made by AC and seconded by DS - unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer reports no changes this month. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by RB and seconded by DS - unanimous.

Building Permits: Permits were read without comment.

Community Preservation Comm.: AC had a list of CPA funded projects that had been left open for years. The CPC would like to rescind leftover monies. DS talked about the West School front granite steps.

Brookside Cemetery Stone Walls: In order to request CPA funding, G.H. Gledhill came to the SHC meeting and presented proposals and anticipated costs for a long-term solution to erosion control for the embankments along Brookside Road, including stone wall repair. The stone wall had similar construction to the walls surrounding Stow's older cemeteries and was understood to be historical. After member discussion RB made a motion that the Stow Historical Commission approves a sum up to \$20,000 for repair of the Brookside Cemetery's historic stone wall, seconded by DS; unanimous.

1825 West School: Closed for the winter.

Town Hall Restoration Committee: A new SHC liaison for the THRC needs to be elected, due to MZ's resignation. The Chair made a motion to elect Andy Crosby as Stow Historical Commission liaison to the Town Hall Restoration Committee, RB seconded; unanimous.

Marilyn Zavorski, SHS president, presented the SHS proposal for basement use at the Town Hall. AC will include it with the Commission proposal and present it as one at the upcoming THRC meeting.

SHC Five year and Mission Plan: The members decided to postpone discussion to the next meeting.

Old and New business and Correspondence: The Commission wishes to find a new or present member to head up West School programs. No one is presently willing. The members re-thought last month's motion to give financial support to a September, 2019 West School program. A motion was made by RB to reconsider & withdraw the funds previously authorized to pay for the Hardtacks music event at West School, seconded by DS; unanimous.

The next meeting is March 7, 2019 at 7:30pm.

Motion to adjourn at 9:20 was made by RB and seconded by DS; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

