

Approved: November 16, 2015

MERRIMACK HERITAGE COMMISSION
MINUTES
Sept. 21, 2015

ATTENDANCE: Lon Woods, Lynne Wenz, Anita Creager, Finlay Rothhaus. Absent: Deb Bult

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approved Aug. 24 minutes.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: Have one full opening and three alternates.

OLD BUSINESS:

Historical Home Plaques: **Anita** will send documents for Bernier home to **Lynne** to follow up. **Finlay** will try to reach Tom Connell to get sign erected. **Anita** will follow up with Birds Nest Tea House.

John Cromwell plaque replacement: No news on whether Dave Brooks and AB have moved plaque to Brooks. **Anita** will check at Brooks, and **Finlay** will follow up.

Photos for Memorial Room: Not installed yet.

Wooden Stocks at Weston Park: **Lynne** has not yet written up description.

Fraser Square Monument Status: No activity from Brian Spence/Snell. **Anita** will inquire about status at Oct. 22 Town Council meeting. Hope for more recognition for James Ferguson at monument.

Possible new location for Historical Society: No luck reaching Flatley Corp or Manchester YMCA. **Anita** will ask for support at Oct. 22 Town Council meeting. **Lon** will seek information from his daughter.

Business Expo: We were not able to staff our booths.

K of C Craft Fair: We will have two booths. **Anita** will staff them.

Welcome Signs: Anita has spoken to Dave Brooks, who has estimated \$2100-\$2500 each for two granite signs at North and South entrances to Merrimack. They may read "Welcome to Merrimack- Four Villages-One Town". **Anita** will present to Town Council on Oct. 22 with possible design. Two posts with 2" engraved slab.

Historical Society update: Yard Sale earned over \$1000. **Anita** will meet with Paul Micali about budget.

ONGOING PROJECTS:

Town Tour Brochures: Have only 400 left of 1500 printed. Will print more soon. Distribution going well.

Greeting Cards: Available for sale year-round. Ruth Roulx has found more of the large ones and will deliver to Town Manager's office.

Dam History and Chamberlain Bridge Sign: Both projects involved in plans for repairs on Chamberlain Bridge and installation of trail under bridge. Dam sign is located in Town Manager's office. The sidewalk and trail project is now scheduled for 2016 through a State grant. Town Center committee working on signage along the river trail from Wildcat Falls to Watson Park, going under the DW Highway.

McGaw Bridge: Will be replaced in 2016 with approved signage by State. Work should start soon.

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Bean Road Bridge: Now in process of replacement.

MEMBER COMMENTS: Lynne inquired about an L-shaped piece of land adjacent to Horse Hill, which is for sale. Discussed ice house on land on Fuller Mill Rd. and a corn crib on Gauthier Rd. Possible relocation to Weston Park sledding hill. **Anita and Lynne** will check on possibilities.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

NEXT MEETING: Oct. 19