

MERRIMACK HERITAGE COMMISSION AGENDA
Historical Society Schoolhouse, 520 Boston Post Road, Merrimack, NH
June 22, 2015
7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE:

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Review and approve May minutes

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: Lon Woods has been approved, and Kristen Newhall has sent in letter of interest in remaining. This should fill all our full positions, leaving only the alternates to fill.

OLD BUSINESS:

Portraits and Frames for Town Hall. Priority #1: Received word that they would be installed in early June. Will follow up.

Historical Home Plaques: Priority #2. Deb to send letters to potential owners for approval. No report as yet. If not complete by June meeting, Anita or Kristen will complete it.

John Cromwell plaque replacement. Priority #3. Lynne has made a copy of the 1657 map showing John Cromwell's trading post, which has been framed and ready to give to Anheuser Busch to display. Finlay has contacted AB about removing the boulder and plaque. They will do it and we will then make plans to repair/replace in another location at AB. Lynne will speak with someone at HR to arrange for framed map and talk with them in person.

Fraser Square Monument Status: Brick in memory of James Ferguson has been approved at no cost to us. Findlay will inquire as to whether a more extensive memorial might be possible, since Ferguson and Fraser were the only two Merrimack residents who died in WW I. Waiting response.

Photos for Memorial Room: Photos still not installed. Jackie Flood has obtained identification signs and arranged for installation.

WW II Memorial- Eagle Scout project- Hayden Faust. Held dedication on Memorial Day at Veteran's Memorial Park. Five incorrect plates are being replaced. Good turnout for ceremony.

Town Tour Brochures: They are now alive and well on the town's website. They are available at Town Hall, the Library and the Historical Society. Have been distributed elsewhere as well.

Wooden Stocks at Weston Park: Lynne. Findlay will ask his wife for information on this project which took place during the 250th anniversary. If the stocks are to remain, they should be recognized with sign etc. so they will be understood. Also look into having a historical highway sign placed at upper Weston Park to inform people of the reason for the location.

Business Expo and K of C Craft Fair: Have registered for both.

July 4th Family Fun Day: Have registered for a booth. Will have display and sales.

ONGOING PROJECTS:

Greeting Cards: Available for sale year-round.

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 schedule 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 2015 with approved signage by State. Work should start soon.

New location for Historical Society: Finlay is looking for contact at Flatley Corp to inquire about past Fish Hatchery property. We will continue to attempt contact with the Manchester YMCA regarding Rev. Wright's home.

Drone photography project: Ken Fothergill. On hold.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

MEETING: PLEASE NOTE: Next meeting would be July 27. Do we want to cancel this one?