

Approved: August 25, 2014

**MERRIMACK HERITAGE COMMISSION
MINUTES
JUNE 23, 2014**

ATTENDANCE: Deb Bult, Kristen Newhall, Lynn Wenz, Anita Creager. Paul Micali also attended.

APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES: Approved.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: Allyson has stepped down. We now have only 4 members and no alternates. Our liaison with the Council, Dave Yakuboff, passed away. Paul tells us we should have someone assigned by July 17. Still need to secure another member and three alternates.

OLD BUSINESS:

Portraits and Frames: Priority #1. Need financial vote. Portraits- anticipate under \$1000 (Fed. Ex). and Frames also under \$1000 (Casual Cat). Will verify sizes and get new quotes. Approved for up to \$2000 total.

Greeting Cards: Priority #2. Reviewed sample and approved. Approved up to \$3000. Will meet Aug. 25 at Deb's house to review which pictures to use and order cards and envelopes for sale at the K of C. Craft Fair on Nov. 1. Vista Print is dealer. Hope for good discounts.

Historical Home Plaques: Priority #3. No action at this time. Waiting 3 replacements. Hope to send letters for next set in Fall. Deb and Kristen have offered to write letters.

Town Tour Brochures: Priority #4. Approved \$100 as donation to Boy Scout doing design. Will review at August meeting, and decide how many to print for distribution.

NEW BUSINESS:

Historical Scavenger Hunt. Expenses (\$110) and gift certificates (up to \$250). Hunt has already started and completes on July 4th. Have volunteers to distribute prizes. \$ 5 gift certificates to all, bumper stickers to 10, t-shirts to 5. \$50 gift certificates donated by Common Man and Buckley's Steak House. Will do drawing from all submitted for these two prizes. Total cost approved for up to \$360.

Fraser Square Monument: 12 x 12 brick will be provided for James Ferguson at no cost to us.

WW II Memorial: Eagle Scout project to be built in Fall at Veteran's Memorial Park. No expense to us.

Portraits for Memorial Room: Should be delivered this week. Cost already approved.

Images of America Books: 18 books ordered for resale and have arrived. Cost \$286.21 with invoice going to Town of Merrimack. Anita will deliver books to Town Manager's office, with Historical Society retaining 5 for their sale. Anita to publicize availability. Cost \$15.90 each. Will sell for \$20. Will be available at the K of C Craft Fair.

Inquiries: Received inquiries about reconstruction at McGaw Bridge and McGaw Bridge Rd. and construction of cell tower on Joppa Rd. Only historical concern is with the home at the

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intersection of Wire Rd. and McGaw Bridge Rd. Gained historical background on bridge.

Commission Expenditures: We have over \$23,000 available. Paul approved proceeding with approved expenditures, once he receives copy of minutes with voted approvals.

ONGOING PROJECTS:

Village Dam signage: Waiting completion of trail going under Main St. Current location is in Town Manager's office.

Chamberlain Bridge Sign: Scheduled for action during summer 2014, when sidewalk and railing repaired. Cost of engraving TBD.

MEETING PLACE: Will consider holding meetings at private homes to avoid complications of securing space.

NEXT MEETING: No July meeting. August 25 is next and will be held at Deb Bult's home.