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# MERRIMACK HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES Sept. 22, 2014, 2014 7:00 PM

### **Action Items in Bold**

**ATTENDANCE**: Lon, Kristen, Anita, Lynne and Debra. We have a quorum.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES**: Approved August minutes with corrections.

**MEMBERSHIP STATUS:** Still have one full opening and three alternates.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Portraits and Frames for Town Hall. This is priority #1. **Kristen** has a quote for \$89.99 each for four 18 x 24" canvases from Fed Ex. Total is \$359.96. She will order the canvases. We will use the McGaw one as is with 20 x 26", and place it on the back wall with matching frame to others. Anita has new quote for frames from Casual Cat, and has sent the large one to be made.

Greeting cards: Priority #2. Cards have arrived. Reviewed. Lynne will put titles on those from Simon's Rock (missed it in the order). Each member took some home to package in plastic bags to prepare for sale. Cost to us per card is \$.42 with several discounts involved. We will sell them for \$1.00 each in various combinations. The full set of 16 will sell for \$15.00. We will be manning a booth at the K of C Craft Fair on Nov. 1 at which we will sell the cards. At our next meeting, we will make plans to have cards for sale at other locations; Town Hall, Library, Adult Community Center (Sandy Russell, Wheeler Chapel (Mitch Couret), First Congregational Church (Jeanne Powell) and St. James Church (TBD). Anita will package some for sale at Thomas More College for October. Kristen will return some incorrect envelopes for replacement. Anita will submit the receipt for the envelopes to Paul Micali for refund.

<u>Historical Home Plaques</u>: Priority #3. **Anita** has list of those planned and will contact past plaque owners to get them installed.

<u>Town Tour Brochures:</u> Priority #4. Review copies. **Anita** to submit two more corrections to Justin to be made on one brochure. **Anita** will contact Paul Micali to determine cost to print at Town Hall, and time availability to do so. We will table this until next meeting to decide when and how many to print.

<u>Fraser Square Monument Status</u>: **Lon** will check with Mr. Spence as to status and whether information is needed about Ferguson for a "Brick".

<u>WW II Memorial</u>- Eagle Scout project- Hayden Faust. Has been approved, and fund raising completed. Hopes to complete by Veteran's Day

<u>Photos for Memorial Room</u>- Photos have been mounted and framed. We just learned that the original (not copies) portraits were framed. **Anita** will retrieve pictures and deliver to **Kristen** to remove pictures. **Anita** will contact Jackie Flood to take action on getting copies made and return originals to the Historical Society. The frame company has been paid for their work.

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<u>Images of America Books</u>: Available for sale at Town Manager's office and Historical Society.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

John Cromwell plaque replacement. We have already voted to approve cost up to \$3000. Crowne Trophy now is considering whether it may be possible to rework it rather than replacing it. **Anita** will inquire as to how it can be removed from the boulder.

<u>Drone photography project</u>: Ken Fothergill has started videotaping historic homes. No publicity yet, but will be extensive before being released. No concerns received through Police or Town Hall.

<u>Location of our files</u>: File cabinets have been moved to Community Development conference room. **Anita** to review, since they have been rearranged in move.

## **ONGOING PROJECTS**:

<u>Dam History and Chamberlain Bridge Sign</u>: Both projects involved in 2015 plans for repairs on Chamberlain Bridge and installation of trail under bridge. Dam sign is located in Town Manager's office.

**NEXT MEETING: October 27**