

The West Brookfield Historical Commission met on Monday, October 3, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. in the Historical Commission office. Attending were Heather Walker, Louise Garwood, and Jesse Morrison with Dick Rossman presiding.

OLD BUSINESS

Website: Dick will send Louise pictures of Little Marshy Meadow, which she will send to Mike with information to be posted on the website. Minutes from April, May, and September have not been posted as yet.

Treasurer's Report: Heather read a financial statement reflecting the account balances as of September 30, 2022.

H.S. Scholarship: The accountant is waiting for Katelyn Maskell to submit the W-9 form. Jesse will review a letter to be sent to Ms. Maskell informing her of a deadline for W-9 submission.

Old Indian Cemetery: The Fannins plan to return on Monday, October 10, finishing Phase 4.

Methodist Cemetery: Nothing to report.

Demolition Delay Bylaw: Dick will ask to be put on the Selectboard meeting agenda and then contact members as to date and time.

Library Programs: Heather is waiting to hear back from Mert Kenniston.

Local Historical Memorials and Sites: Jesse will make 4 color copies and Louise will deliver them.

Rock House Nomination to the National Historical Register: More info by next meeting.

Town Hall Maintenance: Dick will make the calls. More info at next meeting.

Preservation of HC office documents, photos, etc: Work is ongoing.

Facebook page: Louise has posted Pocket Park information and will post the new photos.

Jacob Knight Collection: Heather is waiting for Palmer Library to call back.

Wickaboag Valley Road: Dick will ask to be put on the same Selectboard meeting date as the Demolition Delay to discuss the addition of WVR as a scenic road.

Metal Detector Signs: Signs have been put up on existing posts.

Little Marshy Meadow: The kiosk and 5 benches have been placed. Discussion centered on various details which will be addressed at the next LMM meeting.

Elm Tree: Louise: Should we donate a replacement elm tree? Any grants?

Center Historic District sign: No news. Dick will contact Rebecca Acerra.

175th Anniversary of West Brookfield Incorporation (1848-2023): Louise asked Bill Jankins about doing a presentation. He is thinking about it. The Asparagus Festival table could have photos and information for viewing.

Driveway cut bylaw: Enforcement is the problem.

Pynchon Mill: Louise has some information on Lemuel Gilbert.

NEW BUSINESS

Grant for Town Hall: Should the Historical Commission try again?

Photos: Ursula Couture has donated photos associated with Brookfield Machine which she does not want returned.

Meeting adjourned ca. 8:00 P.M.

The next **monthly** meeting will be held on **Monday, November 7, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Historical Commission Office.

Respectfully submitted, Anne-Marie Nolan, Secretary