

Meeting Opened: Louise called the meeting to order on September 16, 2026, at 7:04 pm.

Call to order: Members Attending: Louise Garwood, Dan Hamilton, Jesse Morrison, and Anne-Marie Nolan. Quorum. Steve Anderstrom as guest/prospective member.

June Minutes Approval: Motion was raised by Dan, seconded by Heather, and motion carried with no discussion.

Treasurer's Report: None. Discussion covered transfer of treasurer's records to incoming Treasurer- Anne-Marie, Chair will also have access to the process in the event Treasurer is not available to proceed.

Dans (salary) and A-M (BPC receipt) reimbursements needed England Fund distributions for 2025-2026 forthcoming? (Not confirmed by Kelly Hitt, as previously thought) (JM)

Town Hall: Preservation Restriction partial release submitted to MHC by Epsilon Co. (Brian Lever consultant) Circulated to HC members for review. State Approval pending. Waiting to hear of architectural asphalt roofing request. Sprinkler leaking in Great Hall. Damage to ceiling. Contact Town Admin. for recommendation. TH is Town owned, any fiscal contribution on part of HC should correspond to active project plan. Follow up (LG)

Web/Digital Scanning Update: Website changes: Mission statement of HC and clearer public information. Dan will manage those website updates.

Storage and Archives: Most Valuation Lists completed. School records discussed. Census cards scanned and can be shredded. Consolidate cabinet and file keys and label. Review book titles in basement (DH)

Demolition Delay: Discussion to start survey of properties 100-(150?) years old. Use assessor's database, Realtors lists, or MHC MACRIS resource. (JM)

Boston Post Cane: Anne-Marie organized ceremony for Helen Lapenas - successfully completed with plaque, citation, with family, dignitaries and press in attendance. All information and protocol are in office BPC binder.

Scholarship: Eligibility requirements / field of study may be broadened while retaining historic connection, community service consideration. Essay should continue to be relevant with town and historical subject matter.

Jake Knight Collection: Check with Kirk J. about status of his collection in our possession. Catalog what is in our permanent collection.

Outreach/Membership: Goal is to rebuild membership of 7 and encourage Associate membership. Social media- Bonnie Jean Holske may be available to assist with social media postings. LG will contact her. Appointment letter for Steve Anderstrom (LG).

New Business:

Internal Commission positions: Membership recruitment wording for Oct. meeting. (LG)

Scholarship : Revise scholarship requirements for December (A-MN, LG)

Gas masks: Dan will post online, documenting proceeds to offset against payment for digital work.

Methodist Cemetery work- and NHR report to be discussed at Oct meeting.

Archival boxes: order relevant sizes.

Motion to adjourn the meeting: Motion to adjourn was raised by Jesse and seconded by Dan at 8:41pm. Next Meeting is on June 1, 2026, at 7pm.