

HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF MILFORD

Memorial Hall, School Street Milford, MA 01757



The Milford Historical Commission meeting of August 12, 2015 was called to order by Robert Andreola, Chairman at 7:10 pm in Memorial Hall. Motion to accept the minutes of the meeting was made by Pam Fields, seconded by Mary Villani. Motion was unanimous.

Two upcoming events were on the agenda. The North Purchase District School will be the site of a lawngathering on Sunday, August 23, from 2 to 4 pm. The building is in need of repair but visitors will be able to peek inside and see the one-room school with the quaint little desks. Books, photos, newspaper articles and maps will be on display.

Ben Franklin will be our guest speaker at our Annual Open House, Sunday, October 18 at 2 pm in Memorial Hall. We will welcome Mr. Franklin in the GAR Hall and then guests will be invited to tour the Museum. His fee is \$250.

Our line item budget is \$1300 which is the same as previous years plus \$1,000 for the internet.

Alvan Fletcher donated a set of reams that were patented by Mr. Huff of Milford who ran a tool and dye business on Exchange Street. Santo Mazzarelli donated a picture of the barracks at Camp Devens in 1917. We also acquired a certificate for Fred A. Nickerson who served with honor in WWI and was wounded in action.

Motion to reframe the Fred Nickerson certificate was made by Anne, seconded by Pam. Motion was unanimous.

Mike Visconti sent an email requesting our input regarding the question of filling in the quarries versus no trespassing signs. The discussion on the matter was tabled due to the fact that three members were absent.

Charzenski's farmhouse is being torn down but it was not listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Youth Center that was previously the Armory has been altered due to weight of the granite on the roof. We were hoping that the exterior of the building would remain intact but it is what it is.

Representative from the Milford Hospital visited the Museum and inquired about borrowing pictures for a wall display that could be swapped off every once in a while. We will wait to hear back from them.

Pam informed us that Rabbi Jack Porter is planning on attending our next meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:45 pm by Pam, seconded by Mary. Motion was unanimous. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9 at 7 pm in Memorial Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Lamontagne
Commissioners Present
Robert Andreola
Pam Fields
Mary Villani
Anne Lamontagne

Associate Commissioner Steve Zaloga Guests Mike Danello Mike Lalime