

The Milford Historical Commission meeting of September 14, 2016 was called to order by Robert Andreola, Chairman at 7:05 pm in Memorial Hall.

Motion to accept the minutes after changing Indiana to Montana in the eighth paragraph was made by Mary Villani, seconded by Pam Fields. Motion was unanimous.

Donations this month were made by Susan Elliott who brought in pictures and newspapers that the Mead family of Vermont donated, Evelyn Bon Tempo gave us a framed picture of Judge Swift with other officials in Boston, Julie Campisi donated a book written by her father, Barry Marcus, "Watches I have Known," and Judith Potter brought in a 1937 yearbook and a scroll of Ft. Meade, MD.

Julie Stanas donated her grandmother's 1920 diploma from the Milford Hospital as a registered nurse whose name was Florence Mackenzie Maher. She also gave us her nurse's cap, and a 1944 booklet that lists names of former graduates and a picture of Florence and three nurses who worked at the hospital.

Anne purchased a brass plate to identify the 40th NY Mozart picture that hangs at the top of the staircase for \$18 from the North East Stamp Company.

Carolyn Thompson offered us blacksmith tools and we will get more information on the size of the tools before we decide if we want to accept them.

We discussed the water damage that was caused by a broken pipe leading to the sprinkler in the GAR hall. The Museum didn't receive any damage.

Motion was made by Anne to purchase 6 – 2" binders and 6 – 3" binders from W.B. Mason, seconded by Ron Marino. Motion was unanimous. Mike Danello is re-organizing the blue binders.

The Lawn-gathering at the North Purchase District Schoolhouse was a success. Visitors really loved stepping back in time and recalling early school days. Question arose whether we should pursue getting it listed on the National Register and seeking grant money.

Anne has publicized a walking tour of the Main Street from Draper Park to Sacred Heart Church noting historical places along the way. Many building and blocks, such as, the Music Hall Block, the Gillon Block, the Exchange and Irving blocks, Claflin & Thayer buildings, Grant Block, Bank Block, the Police Station, Lincoln Square Block, Thom Building, Fire Station, Town Hall, and Rev. Adin Ballou's house are all architecturally worth mentioning. The walk will end near the "Basin" and doughboy monument.

Ron will check locally for a historical sign to be installed in front of Memorial Hall noting the Museum.

Motion was made to book Julia Childs for our Annual Open House, November 6, if available, by Pam Fields, seconded by Mary. Motion was unanimous.

Bob Samiagio will get more information on a display with swinging panels for next month.

Monies were spent this month on Comcast, office supplies, school posters and the brass plate.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:55 pm by Lyn, seconded by Pam. Motion was unanimous. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12 at 7 pm in Memorial Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Lamontagne

Commissioners Present

Robert Andreola, Chairman
Robert Samiagio, Treasurer
Lyn Lovell, Secretary
Anne Lamontagne, Secretary
Pam Fields
Ron Marino
Mary Villani

Associate Commissioners

Steve Zaloga
Mike Lalime
Guests
Linda O'Connor
Mike Danello