

HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF MILFORD

Memorial Hall, School Street Milford, MA 01757



Chairman Robert Andreola called the November 10, 2021 meeting of the Milford Historical Commission to order at 7 pm in Memorial Hall. Motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Pam, seconded by Ron. Motion was unanimous.

Bob A. and Bob S. will continue doing the cyber security tests, they are time-consuming but educational.

We were questioned if April 11, 1780, is the correct date for the town's incorporation and it is.

Bob A. compiled the history of the Doughboy monument with pictures and articles for the museum's collection. The statue was first unveiled November 11, 1921 to honor WWI soldiers.

The War Memorial Revitalization Committee, Concerned Citizens for Milford, and the Milford Park Department will hold patriotic ceremonies in Calzone Park and Draper Memorial Park. The Doughboy statue will be unveiled after being restored by Jeff Buccacio, internationally known sculptor, and Draper Memorial Park which was landscaped and improved by the Park Department.

Memorial Hall will be open to visitors on Veterans Day from 12 pm till 4 pm.

Bob S. and Ron placed plywood on the top of our tall cases which will add room for displays.

Bob S. presented an album on the Landmark Place Apartments that is incorporating the 1925 section of St. Mary's School with a four-story building that will be a 55+ housing development.

Congratulations go out to Jim Miller who was appointed a Commissioner by the Select Board. Steve Zaloga moved to Hopedale and had to resign from the board.

Jim was featured on a cable TV special for Halloween. Years ago, Jim & Dominic D'Alessandro heard weird noises in the attic of Memorial Hall several times. Joseph Marcello, who directed the interview, brought an instrument that registered high energy. Whatever is present there "it" made for an interesting story.

Ron gave an update on the Appraisal Day that featured Eric Mulak, Vice President of Eldred's Auction House. It was a huge success with a lot of attendees, and Eric was happy doing the appraisals and very impressed with the Museum and building.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 pm by Ron, seconded by Pam. Motion was unanimous. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at 7 pm in Memorial Hall. We do not meet in December.

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioners Present

Robert Andreola, Chairman

anne Lamontagne

Robert Samiagio, Treasurer

Anne Lamontagne, Secretary

Pam Fields

Ron Marino

Mary Villani

Jim Miller

Associate Commissioners Present

May Richards

Brian Long

Volunteer

Mike Danello