



HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF MILFORD

Memorial Hall, School Street
Milford, MA 01757



Chairman Robert Andreola called the January 11, 2023, meeting of the Milford Historical Commission to order at 7:05 pm in Memorial Hall. Motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Jim Miller, seconded by Ron Marino. Motion was unanimous.

Bob reviewed the budget. After our expenses we have a balance of \$1250.77. The reprints of our Memorial Hall pamphlet and 1870 maps of Milford were printed by Minutemen Press. We also bought two flash drives for future use in case we decide to reprint them again. Two mannequins were also purchased this month.

Mass Historic has been keeping us informed of the State Historic Preservation Plan and the federal grant that is a 50% matching grant.

The IT department installed a new printer this month and will update our computer soon as ours will no longer be supported. We will be receiving toner, as needed, so we no longer have to purchase ink cartridges.

The 2022 MHS Yearbook has been purchased completing our collection. Bob also put in an order for next year's book.

The Town's website updated the Milford Historical Commission's information which now includes town pictures, boot & shoe businesses, and Milford Pink granite pictures.

Progress is being made to digitize all the binders that contain a wealth of information about the town. Eventually, they will be readily accessible for research thanks to Scott and Bob Samiagio.

Donations this month include: a framed Charter of the John Power's Post 59 by Ret. Col. John Ciesla, A framed document signed by Medal of Honor recipients given for Valor, by Scott Wilson, as well as his grandfather's Navy officer's uniform. Diane Cohen donated 2 books entitled "Extra! The War Years 1939-45," "Glad Farm", and a program from the Prospect Heights 25th reunion.

Robin Philbin, local historian, donated three storage bins containing 8x10 photos, 10 drawers of negatives, 5 boxes of glass negatives, a MDN book with Milford maps, a collection of souvenir booklets and commemorative Bi-centennial plates, etc.

Several visitors stopped by to do research on various subjects, like, slaves, a strike, a trolley, and Maspenock.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Miller at 8:14 pm, seconded by Mary Villani. Motion was unanimous. The next scheduled meeting is February 8, 2023, at 7 pm in Memorial Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Lamontagne
Secretary

Commissioners Present

Robert Andreola, Chairman
Robert Samiagio, Treasurer
Anne Lamontagne, Secretary
Pam Fields
Ron Marino
Mary Villani
Jim Miller

Associate Commissioners Present

Scott Wilson

Guests

Bill Farrell
Marsha Mancuso