

Halifax Historic Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 18, 2017

Meeting attendees were Chairman Susan Basile, Vice Chairman John Shea, members Kevin Shea, and Paul Murray.

As there has been no meetings for a few months no minutes were read.

The budgets were gone over and the monthly electric bills taken care of. Account balances as of October 18th are:

Commission Budget for the year	- \$2,499.00
Commission Gift Account	- \$1,029.50
Commission Trust Account	- \$1,383.43
Blacksmith Shop Account	- \$563.07

Since the last meeting two months of electric bills have been paid. Museum \$141.32 & \$172.58 (the AC has been running), Brockton Store \$0.00 (girls softball team pays for this bill), Blacksmith Shop \$14.16 & \$18.51, Security Light \$42.38 & \$44.24. There was also a Mayflower Descendent book on John Billington that had been sent for \$65.00 bring the total cost to \$300.33. With the AC running during the summer months at the museum we saw a sharp rise on the electric bill. Susan may have to approach the Finance Committee to ask for an increase in the budget for next year. Will watch the balance closely and see their committee if needed.

Question was raised about 715 Old Plymouth Street's status. No signs of activity at all. As far as any members knows the bank now owns the property.

John Shea gave the committee an update on the proposed plans for Popes Tavern. Work had not started yet. Have been told the chimney's and front of the building will remain the same.

It was reported that the Traffic Safety Committee will be working with the Highway Department to have a "crosswalk" put in between the elementary school and Hemlock Lane. Looking into a flashing warning sign there as well. It was reported there was an accident there a few days ago so this project should get the OK by all parties involved.

Susan is beginning to work on some of the house inventories.

New Public Records State Statutes concerning public records went into effect on January 2, 2017. Minutes of our meetings are forwarded to the Town Clerk who posts them on the town web site.

Gifts, receipts and acknowledgements notice sent out. If and when this concerns us it will be looked into.

John Shea told the committee that Duncan Donuts will be moving onto their new site, next to the Stop and Shop driveway as soon as constriction is done.

He also updated the committee about the carriage shed in the Historic Village. All agreed that the Eagle Scout candidate did a great job.

Susan announced that she will keep the committee advised as to when the next meeting will be. It may be a few months out due to conflicting events.

Respectfully submitted,

*Susan J. Basile*

Susan J. Basile, Chairman/Secretary