

**Minutes of the
Whately Historical Commission Meeting
November 28, 2017 at 5:00pm**

Present: Alan McArdle, Donna Wiley, Judy Markland, Darcy Tozier.

The minutes for the October 10, 2017 meeting were approved.

Town Hall Discussion:

A special permit is needed for expanding the footprint of the Town Hall. Brian Domina has submitted the application.

The sign to be posted at the Town Hall from the Massachusetts Historical Commission is not yet in but is currently being made.

The front stairs will need a surface treatment upon removal of the old carpeting. Suggestions of rubber have arisen. The Historical Commission unanimously prefers carpet and believes the Building Committee has previously voted for carpet. The Historical Commission would like to request approval of the floor covering choice.

George Dole is seeking input for the Town Hall interior colors. Darcy Tozier will be the Historical Commission's representative. Judy Markland is securing paint palettes from Historical New England.

Veterans Memorial Discussion:

Applications are in process for a state grant to repair and improve the area around the veterans memorial near the town hall.

Endorsement is requested of the Historical Commission. The Historical Commission has agreed to wait for clearer plans for location and landscaping before submitting an endorsement letter.

Scenic Byways Discussion:

The commission is seeking clarity on what is already in place for scenic byways for the town. Donna will ask Lynn about the process to change bylaws.

Donna has informed the commission that she will be stepping down in June of 2018. The commission needs new members.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9th 2018