

Whately Historical Commission

June 26, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Present: Susan Baron, Judy Markland, Alan McArdle, Darcy Tozier, Donna Wiley

- Minutes from May 15, 2017 meeting accepted as amended.
- Donna Wiley unanimously elected chair for 1 year, replacing Alan McArdle, who will remain on the Historical Commission as a member.
 - Alan has passed many old files to Donna and will continue to do so.
 - Donna spoke with Mary Ellen Cranston, who said the Town will provide the Commission with a file cabinet in the Town Offices.
- Donna informed members that \$60,000 has been awarded by the Massachusetts Historical Commission for Town Hall renovation as part of the Massachusetts Preservation Project Funds grant program. This follows the awarding of \$164,310 from the Green Communities Grant.
 - The Town Administrator will attend the mandatory workshop on July 12. Donna will ask Jones-Whitsett to send a representative. Judy will try to attend, if no one from Jones-Whitsett can attend.
 - We will ask Jones Whitsett to assist in responding to the MHC's request for historic analysis of paint and mortar for Town Hall.
 - Judy will work with Brian Domina to put in place the preservation restriction that was voted at Town Meeting and is required by the MHC.
- The Commission unanimously agreed to present Ann Barker with the Historical Commission Preservation Award, to be presented at the next Special Town Meeting.
- Regarding the Town's 250th celebration, Donna will follow up with the Select Board regarding the Commission's October 2016 letter suggesting appointment of representatives of specific Town committees to serve on a planning committee. Susan Baron has agreed to serve as the Historical Commission's representative on the planning committee.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 27th at 2pm.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Baron