

Town of HudsonHistorical Commission

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Meeting Minutes June 12, 2023

1. Roll Call

Paul Shultz called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Members present: Paul Shultz; Mark Terra-Salomão, Rachel Lynde, Ron Sorgman

Staff present: Pam Helinek

2. Historical Survey

Mark Terra-Salomão said that he hadn't reviewed the second set of surveys, but that he had submitted a few minor comments for the first set. He is happy with the work and ready for Stacy Spies to submit the surveys to MACRIS once she has incorporated his comments. The other members agreed that the work was thorough and well done, and that Stacy should submit it.

3. Hudson History Signs

Rachel Lynde said she had been waiting for feedback from reviewers but she will check in with them. Pam Helinek said she would send an introductory email to David Bonazzoli, Town Historian, so she could solicit his review. Pam Helinek also said she would check in with the sign company to let them know that we are still planning to order the signs and to confirm what we are committed to and what time deadlines may exist.

4. Liberty Park

Rachel Lynde said she had gone to the park and that the stone is in great condition, but that the bronze could use a cleaning. She will take another look and write up a scope of work. It's too late to get quotes for Fall Town Meeting, since the CPC deadline is next week. The Commission will plan for next Spring Town Meeting. Pam Helinek asked if the Commission also wanted to add names from more recent wars. Ron Sorgman asked if there was room for more names. Mark Terra-Salomão said there are additional names from more recent conflicts on bricks in the ground behind the memorial, and that might be due to lack of room on the memorial. Pam Helinek will discuss with the Veterans Services Director.

5. Demo Delay Bylaw

The Commission agreed to wait until next Spring Town Meeting to put the bylaw on the warrant, in order to give the new Commissioners time to review and discuss the bylaw.

6. Mass Central Rail Trail Signage

Mark Terra-Salomão reported that he has been attending meetings with Paul Jahnige from DCR, representatives from Sudbury, and experts on railroad history to work on signage for the Mass Central Rail Trail. There will be an interpretive sign at the site of Ordway Station by Lake Boon.

7. 55 Cottage Street

Paul Shultz reported that he had attended the Planning Board hearing for 55 Cottage Street, but that the Planning Board had delayed discussion until the Zoning Board of Appeals made a decision about the project. Pam Helinek will find out the dates of the next scheduled hearings.

8. Minutes – February 15, 2023

Mark Terra-Salomão moved to approve the minutes from April 3, 2023, second by Ron Sorgman, vote: 4-0-0

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM. Pam Helinek will poll the Commission when it gets closer to decide whether to meet in person or via zoom.

10. Adjournment

Ron Sorgman moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Mark Terra-Salomão. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.