

Town of HudsonHistorical Commission

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Meeting Minutes December 5, 2022

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1. Roll Call

Peter Breton called the meeting to order at 7:11 PM.

Members present: Peter Breton, Paul Shultz; Al Morel; Mark Terra-Salomão

2. Hudson History Signs

Al Morel reported that he is working on getting permission from the right people for locations of the signs. He is also working on content and plans to have Town Historian David Bonazzolli review the text.

3. Historic Site Cleanup

Paul Shultz reported that he, Al Morel, and one other volunteer joined Michael Volk in a historic site cleanup. Al Morel suggested that the cleanup be coordinated with the town wide cleanups sponsored by Green Hudson in the future.

4. Future Projects, MHC Grant

Al Morel reviewed his list of future historic signs including Gates Pond, Gleason Junction, Blue Caboose. Broad Street Mill, Poor Farm and Main Street Cemetery. Paul Shultz suggested adding Tripps Pond to the list. Peter Breton said that it was likely that the Community Preservation Committee would agree to pay for more signs, but that it would be better to complete the current signs before asking for more money. However it would be a good idea to start working on the paper work for future signs.

Paul Shultz suggested that the MHC Grant, which is a grant aimed at restoration of historic buildings and requires a 50% match, might be appropriate for the Armory restoration. Pam Helinek said she would forward the information to the Hudson Cultural Alliance.

5. Historical Survey

Present: Stacy Spies, historian

Stacy Spies reported that she has confirmed the addresses for the properties to survey, has located the appropriate historic maps, and will be starting field work and photography shortly. The Historic Society has agreed to pull information on the properties from their records. She will place her completed files in a dropbox for the Commission's review in February, and when the Commission approves them she will share the dropbox with MHC for posting to MACRIS.

6. Minutes – September 26, 2022

The Commission approved the minutes from September 26, 2022, vote: 3-0-1

7. Next Meeting

The Commission agreed to schedule meetings for 2023 every other month on Monday nights, starting in February. Pam Helinek will propose a meeting schedule that avoids Monday holidays and Select Board meetings.

8. Adjournment

Al Morel moved to adjourn the meeting, vote 4-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.