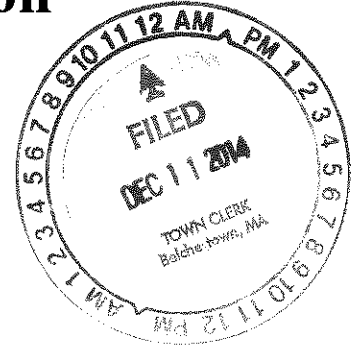




Office of

Historical Commission

Lawrence Memorial Hall
2 Jabish Street
Belchertown, Massachusetts 01007



9 July 2014

Members present:

Leslie E. Squires Maxine Oland Richard Keating Judy Fuller Gillan
Erika Hamilton

Visitors:

Liz Usherwood Elizabeth Rairigh - PVPC

The chairman called the meeting to order at 1932.

The election of officers was the first thing on the agenda. Erika made a motion to name Les to be the chairman. The motion was seconded by Richard. The vote was 4 - 0 - 1 with Les obtaining. Motion passed

Richard nominated Maxine to be the Vice - Chairman, seconded by Erika. The vote was 4 - 0 - 1 in favor Maxine obtained. Motion passed.

Maxine nominated Richard to be secretary. The motion was seconded by Erika. The motion passed 4 - 0 - 1 with Richard obtained. Motion passed.

The minutes for the May and June were reviewed. Erika made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Maxine, the motion passed 5 - 0 - 0.

Next the chairman turned the meeting over to Elizabeth Rairigh. She came to the meeting to explain how the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) could help local historical commissions. She discussed the purpose of the PVPC. They represent 41 communities in the valley. She told of a meeting they are going to have in Pittsfield on Wednesday 16 July from 1000 - 1200 P.M. The meeting will be on the Community Preservation Act.

She talked about a tour map of the town that shows a picture of the house and a short narrative to explain it. She said the PVPC could help us get a web page started to get our surveys out where the public could get access to them.

We next switched to the state school. The company that is working on the development has not really contacted us. She said we need to get a 106 review on the state school property. This should be done before and demolition is started. We discussed the idea of

a memorial. She said the Preservation Massachusetts revolving fund is available. She left applications for us to study.

We discussed the Catholic Church window project the members signed the deed restriction. Erika made a motion to have Leslie Squires, the BHC chairman, be the only one who needs to get his signature certified. Seconded by Maxine. The motion passed.

Maxine made a motion to end the meeting, seconded by Judy. Motion passed. The meeting ended at 2045.

Submitted by:



Leslie E. Squires

Chairman

Belchertown Historical Commission