Town of Sutton Historic Commission Meeting Minutes April 23rd, 2019

Meeting Started at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Keith Downer – Chairman
Wally Baker – Member
Paul Dunn – Member
Donna Rossio – Member
Rochelle Forsythe – Alt. Member
Mark Brown – Alt. Member
Members Absent:
Mark Kellogg – Clerk

Review and Approve Minutes:

Minutes from the March 26th 2019 meeting were not completed; therefore, they could not be voted on.

Public forum: Brian Stevenson representing the Sutton Historical Society presented a plan to address a few structures within Sutton Center for the upcoming July 4th celebration. He asked that the Commission support efforts to paint and possibly replace the roof on the Hearst House adjacent to the Center Cemetery. He also informed the members as to a plan to restore gravestones in that same cemetery. He asked for our assistance in clearing the brush within the Town Pound stone structure. All members present were receptive of his plans and will support his projects. Keith Downer will contact Jim Smith to support the initiative.

Public hearing: None.

Open Discussion: Wedgwood Farm over 55 independent living, a meeting will be taking place on May 6th at the next sitting of the Planning Board.

Citizen Petition: A citizen petition for Barn Re-use article presented for Town Meeting update. At a meeting with the Planning Board on 4-8-19, Wally Baker informed the members that the article was withdrawn by the petitioner therefore, no further discussion was needed.

Old Business: Mark Brown supplied documentation to the Commission that he had been sworn in by the Town Clerk and is now an Alternate Member. A reminder of the Annual Employee Conflict of Interest training. Manchaug Historic District certificates were discussed, Wally Baker presented a painting by Linda Sinacola as a back shadow of the Certificates. Other suggestions were presented by Rochelle, Mark, and Donna. Another meeting with Rochelle and Keith will take place next week to finalize.

New Business: None.

Announcements / Correspondence: Information regarding the Mass. Hist. Comm. Alliance nominations, 2019 History Conference in Worcester, and the C.M.H.C. Preservation/ Planning were presented.

-Meeting adjourned. At 7:40PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Keith Downer, Chair