



HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF MILFORD
Memorial Hall, School Street
Milford, MA 01757



Chairman Robert Andreola called the September 13, 2023, meeting of the Milford Historical Commission to order at 7 pm in Memorial Hall. Motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Pam Fields, seconded by Ron Marino. Motion was unanimous.

Bob noted that the new budget was \$2,455.68. The balance is \$1,847.41 after expenses.

The updated membership was sent to Jennifer Doherty, Local Government Programs Coordinator.

The IT Department set up our computer and printer last month and recently added “Office Home and Business,” giving us Word and Excel. It will cost \$250 out of our budget.

Daniel Scott Wilson was appointed Commissioner to fill Jim Miller’s unexpired term, due to Jim’s untimely death.

Robin Philbin’s four DVDs, donated some time ago, were saved as RTF (Rich Text Format). Scott will convert them to JPGS which will make them easier to use. Scott purchased an external hard drive to back-up the computer, and Bob has 2 flash drives that will be used to hold Robin’s collection of pictures numbering more than 3,400.

Scott purchased a lightboard to view negatives, a label maker and office supplies.

The procedure for adding information to the Blue Binders was discussed. We will set up a scanning station for articles that will be added now and in the future.

Ron suggested that we submit old photographs to the “Free Press” asking people to identify them. Mystery photos were submitted years ago in the MDN and members agreed that it was a great idea.

There was a discussion on Facebook regarding our Main Street, which is historically significant, lined with beautiful brick buildings that are architecturally notable.

The complaint was that there are too many churches on our Main Street, however, it is far better to have churches than vacant buildings with boarded up windows.

Anne suggested that the commissioners walk along the Main Street, as a group or individually, to appreciate some of the buildings that line our street.

Our Annual Open House is November 5, 1 – 4. Eric Mulak, VP of Eldred's Auction House will be the appraiser. It will be advertised in the papers, on cable TV, and radio. Posters will be placed around town and everyone will help getting the word out.

Francis DeAngelo donated his grandfather's Navy trunk, uniform, and military items from WWII. He was BM1 James Hugh Fex, which is Boatswain's Mate First Class.

Thursday workshops have been very well attended and productive.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 pm by Anne, seconded by Ron. Motion was unanimous. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 7 pm in Memorial Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Commissioners Present

Robert Andreola

Robert Samiagio

Anne Lamontagne

Pam Fields

Mary Villani

Ronald Marino

Scott Wilson

Associate Commissioners Present

Brian Long

Marcia Mancuso

Bill Farrell

Guest

Joseph Cuddy