

MINUTES
of the
Sandwich Historical Commission
Meeting date: June 1, 2011

Call to order: A monthly meeting of the Sandwich Historical Commission was held in the MacKnight Room, Sandwich Public Library, Sandwich, MA on June 1, 2011. The meeting convened at 6:30 pm, Director, William (Bill) Daley presiding.

Members in attendance: William Daley, Jennifer Madden, Ellen Carlson, Carolyn Crowell, Terry Blake, Jonathan Shaw, Nancy Stetson

Associates in attendance: Kate Bavelock, Karen Juros, Garrett Gowan, Don Bayley, acting secretary

Absent: Janet Pinault, Dave Wheelock

1. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the May meeting were unanimously approved.

2. Membership Elections:

Don Bayley was unanimously elected Associate.

Nancy Stetson's membership term expires June 30th. She announced she was too busy to stay on. Dave Wheelock was unanimously elected to replace Nancy. Bill Daley thanked Nancy for all the time she has devoted to the SHC and all the work she has done.

Bill Daley's Chairmanship term expires June 30th. Terry Blake was unanimously elected to be the new Chair. Jennifer Madden and Ellen Carlson offered to act as Co-Vice Chairs and the Commission members unanimously approved this.

Jon Shaw has served as the SHC member on the CPC and has agreed to continue. This was unanimously approved.

The following staggered membership terms after June 2011 have been clarified by Town Clerk, Taylor White:

Shaw – 2012

Crowell – 2011 (suggested to be appointed to 2013)

Madden – 2013

Daley – 2012

Carlson – 2011 (suggested to 2012)

Blake – 2011 (suggested be appointed to 2014)

Taylor will need to swear in all term renewals.

3. Historic Markers:

Bill presented the following properties and the SHC approved both for Historic Markers:
139 Main Street “1868 Captain Edward E. Nichols” (whaling captain)
12 State Street “1832 Benjamin Haines” (Glass Factory worker)

Bill said 18 and 20 Jarves Street were in the works.
He has given marker applications to local realtors who were very enthusiastic.

Jon mentioned the Sandwich Realtors Scholarship Fund which will be offering scholarships of \$3,000 each to high school seniors. The awards will go to the top three students making presentations on historic properties in Sandwich.

4. Local Comprehensive Action Plan and Priorities:

Ellen presented two Mission Statements. A discussion followed on which one to use and the following statement was approved (with the addition of “evaluate”):
“The Sandwich Historical Commission was established in 1971 to identify, evaluate, document, preserve, develop and protect the historic and archeological assets of the Town and to promote public awareness of the history of the Town of Sandwich.”

Ellen distributed a list of priorities from the results of the group poll on the Historic Resources Action Plan of May 2009. She organized them into three tiers based upon a tally of items marked with “x’s” for items “of interest” and red diamonds for items of “high importance.” She led a discussion which, after input from many SHC members, resulted in narrowing these priorities down to five items. Ellen will compile and distribute a list of these five items to SHC members.

5. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for July 6th.

Respectfully Submitted:
Don Bayley