

EGREMONT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Minutes
Saturday March 4, 2017
10am
2 Buttonball Lane - Archives - 2nd floor

Attending: Bachelder, Cooper, Siter, Turner, Wood, Snyder.
Absent: Cherin,

Rebecca Turner has been in touch with Neil Larson on the MACRIS update . The list is still in compilation.

The Summer Programs have been focused on establishing the third week end in August as the Town's official birthday week end so Nic Cooper will give a walking tour of South Village on August 27th, and Gregg Siter will give a walking tour of North Village on August 26th.

Elliott asked how much money is presently in our account and since we do not have a treasurer the answer was not available. He would like to do ads with photographs.

Several members attended the Congregational Church meeting. It appears that Charles Procter, speaking for the vestry, would like to establish a second bank account to accept monies for about \$250,000 worth of capital improvements. There was no discussion of separating the campus from the congregation, or placing the buildings into a preservation restriction as a method to protect them while these funds are raised. Chair offered to assist in applying for an MPPF grant for this round, but no response was received.

Margaret Cherin was not present to discuss aVillage Districts update.

Bill and Lynn Wood reported on the Native American meeting and the suggestion that we host a joint Historical Commission meeting with a speaker. Bill had copies of Van Gelder information pertinent to the Native American presence in Egremont. Becket was thought to be a good town to be included.

The dates of May 13, and 20th were proposed. Bill will check them out and update us on April 1, 2017.

A list of Term Expirations was requested.

Attendees for the Western Mass. H.C. Coalition were asked for. It could be a very important meeting to attend as the topic is funding, and financing solutions for historic preservation projects and might offer support to the church needs. Lucina Vermeulen from the planning board, and the Woods have agreed to go and will report back at our next meeting in May.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully Submitted.

Susan P. Bachelder
Chair and Acting Secretary