

Goshen Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2017

1) Call to order

- a) The regular meeting of the Goshen Historical Commission was called to order at 11:00AM on July 1, 2017 at the Goshen Historical Museum (started late because we were cleaning the light fixtures).

2) Roll call

- a) The following persons were present: Bob Labrie, Margaret Waggoner, Floyd Merritt

3) Approval of minutes from last meeting

- a) The minutes of the June 3, 2017 meeting were approved as amended.

4) Finance Report

- a) Current budget balance is \$2,299.33. Current FYTD expenditures of \$1,300.77.

5) Report on endangered historical properties – Williams / Boltwood House

- a) No change from previous report.

6) Status of completion of and summary of MHC inventory forms on historical properties

- a) No change from previous report.

7) Report of GHC representative on CPA Committee

- a) Next meeting on Monday, July 10th. No update until then.

8) Report of the Curator

Energy and Safety Improvements

- Ceiling fan replaced by Bob. Installed new 4-speed switch in closet to control speed of fan.
- New alarm and smoke detectors installed by Don Boulanger of Electralarm
- Installed new high efficiency LED ceiling lights to replace yellowing fluorescent lights on first floor. Also installed dimmer switch to control intensity of same lights.

Gifts

- (1) William H. Packard's World War II experience, including handwritten accounts, photos and many miscellaneous printed items. Given by his grandson Michael M. Packard

Other Receipts

- Received “Our Big Book” New Basic Reader, Pre-primary Series. Scott foresman and Co., Chicago, 1951 from the Town Hall attic courtesy of Gina Papineau. Need to check with Ann Sabo Warner for its historical significance.

9) New Business

Don Boulanger (Electralarm) stopped by to show us how to use the new alarm system.

Purchased gate for staircase. Needs to be installed.

Needed items to be purchased:

- Werner 5’ fiberglass stepladder

10) Adjournment

- a) Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P.M.
- b) Minutes submitted by: Bob Labrie

GHC To Do List

Photos

- Make prints of the Wilcutt Photos or print on regular paper
- Put them in a binder for display
- “What do you think this is a picture of and why do you think that?”
- Use Inventory Form format

Museum Sign – make new one

Take down ash tree in parking lot

Install electrical outlet in center of basement ceiling for de-humidifier

Load new pictures in the digiframe

Repair soffit over the basement walkout

Sand and repaint threshold

Replace drain cover in the basement floor

Pump organ repair – get a quote

Create video of Margaret and Floyd walking through the Museum explaining the exhibits

Japanese Knotweed in parking lot – needs to be treated with Brush-b-gone

Catalog remaining books from Boltwood Library (librarything.org)

Construct bookshelf above computer area in the museum for storage.

Letter to WBH attorney asking for proposal to Goshen Select board

Boxes at WBH – move to museum