

EAST LYME HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION MEETING  
EAST LYME TOWN HALL  
July 3, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: B. Johnson Low, Chair, M. Christensen, M. Prokop, R. McCauley, Steve Marks-Hamilton, Alternate members present: R. Waterman, B. Hobby.

Meeting opened at 7:02PM

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS: None

AGENDA ADDITIONS: None.

MINUTES: June 2018 minutes were approved. Motion by M. Christensen, second by R. Waterman. Passed. Unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Vacancy:
  - Clerk / Secretary: Motion by S. Marks-Hamilton, second by Mark Christenson to elect Maggi Prokop secretary / clerk. Passed. Unanimous.
  - Alternate: Donna Massung and Benn Bullock attended the meeting and each expressed interest in becoming an alternate. Each was advised to submit a letter of intent and bio / resume ASAP.
- Demolition Delay Ordinance: BJ Low reported that the Board of Selectmen at the June 6, 2018 meeting passed the ordinance.
- House Inventory: S. Marks-Hamilton will invite Jan Pearson of the Crescent Beach Association to attend a future and make a presentation about the history of the neighborhood. He will make a list of other neighborhood groups who might be interested in sharing their history with the Commission / townspeople.
- Connecticut Collections Museum Management Software Update: BJ Low reported they are interviewing for a new director and plan to present a training / workshop later this summer.
- Archeological Survey Project: No report.
- Bridge Art: S. Marks-Hamilton reported that Mark Nickerson has approved an art piece but there has been no additional activity.
- Flow Chart, - No reports.
- National Register of Historic Places: No report.
- Smith Harris House Name Change: SHH is now named Brookside Farm Museum.

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- Celebrate East Lyme Booth: Has been paid for and representatives from the three museum houses and the East Lyme Puppetry Project (who recently received a grant to develop a show about America's First Submarine, the Turtle) will provide information to citizens.

## REPORTS

- Bike and BBQ: Dawn Robinson continues to do radio interviews. Posters are ready for store windows, still seeking sponsors. B. Low has created an ad and an article for August's Post Road Review. Many request have been made to Parks and Recreation to ascertain the names of sponsors and amounts of donations so that the team can appropriately budget and not solicit those who have already donated. There will be a Bike and BBQ booth at East Lyme Day on July 21.
- Cemetery Association – No report.
- The Samuel Smith House – M. Christensen reported that the June 9, 2018 open house day was a success – about 60 visitors. In order to spend down the 2017-2018 budgeted construction funds, it was voted to replace roof shingles for the house. July 22 will be Farm Day for the House. September 8 will be a Colonial soldier encampment by the Lebanon Militia.
- The Smith Harris House – Name change was passed at June 20 Board of Selectmen meeting. Joanie DiMartino has resigned to take a position with the Prudence Crandall Homestead. The STEPS program has been completed.
- Thomas Lee House: R. McCauley reported that D. Waterman and S. Marks-Hamilton have completed a new exhibit about the building of the Turtle, America's first attack submarine that was manned by Thomas Lee's nephew Ezra and tested in the Connecticut River. Construction of the new barn is slated for this fall. The new exhibit also includes a piece about Lyme in the Revolution, and a "Meet the Lee Family " display.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00PM Motion by M. Prokop, second by S. Marks-Hamilton. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggi Prokop