

EAST LYME HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
EAST LYME TOWN HALL
November 6, 2018

Meeting opened at 7:01PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Alternate B. Hobby was seated.

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS: Donna Massung, President, Friends of Brookside Farm Museum,
Chuck Massung

AGENDA ADDITIONS: East Lyme as destination town – Burt Hobby
Possible collaboration with East Lyme Library – Barb Johnson Low

MINUTES: September 2018 minutes were approved as amended. Motion by D. Waterman,
second by S. Marks-Hamilton. Passed. Unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- House Inventory: No report. Agreed that we expand inventory to include houses between 1890 and 1910.
- Connecticut Collections Museum Management Software Update: The Connecticut Collections director was unable to meet with East Lyme representatives between September and November to explore the management platform and process in detail so we could compare them to alternate available Connecticut archival resource platforms. Given this, it was moved that the Town postpone its participation in the Connecticut Collections project until 2019 and that it request that Connecticut Collections forward our \$300.00 deposit to the 2019 – 2020 program year. S. Marks Hamilton moved, B. Hobby seconded. Passed, Unanimous.
- Archeological Survey Project: B. Bullock reported that the survey project is complete and that the group is applying for another grant to date the remainder of the house.
- Bridge Art: s. Marks-Hamilton reported that the bridge project is currently on hold due to painting the Niantic River Bridge.
- Flow Chart - No report.
- National Register of Historic Places: No Report.

FILED
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William Yellman
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

New Business:

- B. Hobby is looking into marketing East Lyme as a Destination Town in conjunction with our three historic properties and other own entities such as Niantic Main Street and local business groups. He will speak to First Selectman Nickerson about this.

- B. Johnson Low will meet with Library Board Member Lois Hobby and Library Director Lisa Timothy regarding collaborating on a new publication that tells the story of East Lyme's three historic houses. She suggests one representative writer from each house work with the library on this project.
- B. Johnson Low has requested in writing that the town complete paperwork needed to make Brookside Farm Museum a full member of HPC.

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REPORTS

- Bike and BBQ: M. Christensen reported that there were 350 riders and 33 hikers. Each house will receive about \$2000.00 from the proceeds. The basket raffle was also well received and the Bikes for Kids activity was a success.
- Brookside Farm Museum– M. Prokop and Donna Massung reported that they have hired a Josh Taylor as a part time curator. Josh started Monday, November 5 and is getting acquainted with the house. The holiday open house is December 2.
- Cemetery Association – R. McCauley stated that trees are being felled at Baptist Hill. Firewood will be given away.
- The Samuel Smith House –M. Christensen stated that the September 8 Colonial soldier encampment by the Lebanon Militia went very well but the fall open house was disappointing. The winter open house and greens sale will be November 25.
- Thomas Lee House: S. Marks-Hamilton, B. Hobby reported that the foundation for the new barn has been poured. This will house the town's first fire truck and a mail wagon. A ribbon cutting ceremony is planned for the spring.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:09PM Motion by M. Christensen second by R. McCauley.
 Unanimous.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Dan Cunningham, Donna Massung. Chuck Massung

Respectfully submitted,

Maggi Prokop

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