

EAST LYME HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
EAST LYME TOWN HALL
December 4, 2018

Meeting opened at 7:02PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Alternate Burt Hobby was seated.

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Dec 31 2018 AT 8:32 AM PM
Doreen A. T.C.
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS: First Selectman Mark Nickerson

AGENDA ADDITIONS: None.

MINUTES: November 2018 minutes were approved as amended. Motion S. Marks-Hamilton. Second by Burt Hobby Passed. Unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- House Inventory: No report. B. Johnson noted that an inventory house located at 99 Pennsylvania is up for sale. Built in 1840s by and home to Howard family since then.
- Connecticut Collections Museum Management Software Update: No update yet.
- Archeological Survey Project: Benn reported no current activity. This item will be removed from Old Business until another grant is received.
- Bridge Art: S. Marks Hamilton reported that they are still working with the town to get assistance.
- Flow Chart – No report
- National Register of Historic Places: No Report.
- East Lyme as Destination Town: B. Hobby proposes that he work with each of the houses to develop a tri-fold print brochure for this tourist season. He will speak to First Selectman Nickerson about this. B. Johnson Low recommends the team develop a consistent masthead and color scheme/format for the three houses and use this in the brochure.
- Historic Properties / Library Collaboration: 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.
- Brookside Farm on the Historic Properties Commission: B. Johnson Low and Gary Lakowsiky have met with First Selectman Mark Nickerson regarding same. Mr.

Nickerson reports that in order to make Brookside Farm Museum a full member of HPC, there are additional legal issues beyond completing the border mapping. He and the town attorney will work to resolve them as they involve how organizational management for each of the houses is structured. B. Johnson Low referred the team to the Connecticut State Statute for additional details and moved that the discussion be tabled until a future meeting. M. Christenson seconded. Carried, unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

- Calendar: B. Johnson Low proposed 2019 meeting calendar. B. Bullock moved to accept. B. Hobby seconded. Carried, unanimous.
- Budget: B. Johnson Low stated that 2019-2020 proposed budget is due December 23.
- Preservation Pot Luck Dinner: M. Christensen reported the dinner date is Friday January 18th, 6-8PM at Niantic Community Church.

REPORTS

- Bike and BBQ: M. Christensen reported that each entity will receive \$2000.00 and that that leaves \$1750.00 in the kiddie for next year's event.
- Brookside Farm Museum– B. Johnson Low reports the holiday open house is December 2.
- Cemetery Association – R. McCauley stated that he is working on Plants Dam cemetery.
- The Samuel Smith House –B. Bullock the winter open house and greens sale on November 25 was not as well attended than the previous year, possibly due to the date being on Thanksgiving weekend.
- Thomas Lee House: R. McCauley reports that construction for the new barn has begun. They are also taking down some trees and repairing some floor joists.
- National Register of Historic Properties – M. Christensen believes that the old Flanders School is a good candidate for this designation. He states there are 7 criteria for the designation. Sandborn Fire Insurance Maps have pertinent information. S. Marks Hamilton will contact town historian L. Kuchta to obtain this information.

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Dan Cunningham, Mark Nickerson (partial meeting)

Respectfully submitted,

Rob McCauley bjl