

LYNDEBOROUGH HERITAGE COMMISSION

Friday, Oct.27, Tarbell Library, 7 p.m.

Members present: Robert Rogers, Lou Rota, Jessie Salisbury. Robert Howe and Selectman Mark Chamberlain arrived at 7:20.

SHOW AND TELL

Several meetings ago, the town's 1976 commemorative medal was mentioned. Jessie brought the bronze medal belonging to the Historical Society and her own that was made into a pendant. A limited number of silver medals were also produced. The design is now the town seal.

The minutes of Sept. 29 were approved on a motion by Bob Rogers seconded by Lou. There were two intent-to-cut forms, one of them Lou's.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The cost of the Turnpike welcome signs and the stone arch bridge sign was \$1,505, leaving a balance of \$5,041.66. Of that, \$2,000 was donated to the Commission after Town Meeting by two residents for the stone arch bridge project.

The report of the bridge inspection suggested that someone be hired to further inspect the base of the larger arch on the upstream side where there was once a concrete structure. Should the \$2,000 be used for that purpose? The donors placed no restrictions on its use.

It was agreed that it would be a good use for the money. Mark and Lou will look into available local contractors with the inspection to be done in the spring when the water has receded.

CENTER CEMETERY FLAGPOLE

Fred Douglas told the Selectboard the pole was deteriorating and needed to be replaced. He wanted to change the wooden pole to fiberglass, but it is in the Historic District. Scott Roper said it was maintenance and would not require Commission review. The new pole will include a solar-operated light and a device to lower it for maintenance. Fred will see to the replacement.

BUDGET

Jessie attended the Select Board's budget review earlier in the day. The Selectmen approved the addition of \$500 for the construction of a decorative wrought-iron fence along the top of the ditch beside the common.

The Budget Committee hearing is on Dec. 19 at 6:30 p.m.

REPAIRS TO CITIZENS' HALL

No update.

REFRAMING THE TOWN CHARTER

Stephanie is to look into costs.

SIGNS FOR THE COMMON

Jessie is to meet with Stadium Graphics to discuss costs of replacing the railroad "SO LYNDEBORO" sign which is deteriorating. The Historical Society wants the original one which appears to have a bullet hole.

The sign maker has said the sign to be placed on the fence around the railroad foundation can include a picture of the station. That, too, will be discussed.

STONE ARCH BRIDGES

No further discussion.

GIS PROJECT

No update

There was no further business. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting was scheduled for Friday, Jan. 26, 2024, at the library.

Secretary