

250 COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2023, 7:00 PM
TOWN HALL, 472 MAIN STREET, ROOM 9
APPROVED JANUARY 29, 2024

Chair Trimble read the remote and virtual preamble and brought the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

Members Present: Stephen Trimble, Dean Charter, Mary Price Maddox, Pamela Lynn, Anne Kadlec, Mike Gowing (remote), Anne Forbes, Bob Ferrara, Bill Klauer, Rebecca Schmidt (AML Staff)

Members Absent: Suzanne Peterman, Steven Crosby

I. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. RESIDENTS CONCERNS:

There were no resident concerns expressed

B. MINUTES:

Minutes of October 30, 2023 meeting were moved by Maddox, seconded by Ferrara, role was called, unanimous to approve as written.

II. NEW/SPECIAL BUSINESS:

A. HISTORY SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE:

Lynn updated the committee: Mary Führer presentation went well, with good attendance. She will be back in the fall to do another presentation about working with public records and primary sources. There have been 165 views since the initial presentation. There was discussion about outreach to High School faculty, possibly at a Professional Development Day. AML & LWV are doing book groups reading the Stacy Shiff book about Sam Adams and the Committees of Correspondence. The next speaker in the 250 series will be John Adelman on January 30 in the Faulkner Room discussion his book Revolutionary Networks. Amy Cole will be lead another tour of Acton Center on December 10, at 1:30 PM. There will be a limit of 20 attendees.

December 16 is the 250th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party and 30 libraries will be sponsoring a virtual talk "Steeped in Secrecy".

AML sponsoring a master potter, Richard Hamlin, who will be doing a hands-on pinch pot workshop using colonial techniques. Registration is limited to 20.

B. DAVIS PLOW PROJECT:

The committee met in the lobby by the Davis Plow to discuss ideas about improving the display, based on initial sketch done by Crosby. Committee seemed open to ideas presented. Trimble took notes and will submit his notes at the next meeting. Changes to the Crosby sketch including raising the platform that the plow sits on to make it more visible. Ferrara will get names of display designer used at Discovery Museum.

C. MERCHANDISING AND PUBLICITY UPDATE:

The Committee has not met. Still awaiting input from Town Counsel and Economic Development Director

D. NEW ITEMS:

No new

III. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

A. CALENDAR LOOK AHEAD:

Schedule was corrected to show July 29 as a meeting date.

B. ADJOURN:

Klauer moved to adjourn at 8:35 PM, second by Forbes, role was called, unanimous to adjourn

Materials used:

250 Committee agenda, November 27, 2023

Meeting Minutes, October 30, 2023 Acton 250 Committee

Sketch by Steven Crosby of proposed renovations to David Plow display.

Respectfully submitted, Dean A. Charter, Clerk