

## ACTON 250<sup>TH</sup> COMMITTEE

### **History Subcommittee**

April 2, 2024 minutes: dinner meeting with JL Bell

Attending: Bob Ferrara, Anne Forbes, Bill Klauer, Pamela Lynn; John L. Bell    Absent: Mary Price Maddox

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The meeting was called to order by chair Pamela Lynn at 5:10 in Not Your Average Joe's as posted.

With the expectation that a quorum of the Acton 250 History Subcommittee would join the evening speaker John L. Bell, a meeting was posted in order to allow free discussion if useful. Pam introduced each member of the committee with an explanation of their background and role.

As John Bell specializes in the colonial history of New England, the discussion provided an opportunity to inquire as to other potential speakers for the series. He suggested that we consider Daniel Mandel, a retired University of Missouri professor now living in the area, who might be able to present on indigenous peoples within the appropriate time frame. Not knowing what other towns have done with regard to programming this far out from April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, it was encouraging to hear that Acton appeared to be better organized than any other with which he was familiar.

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:25. Next meeting: April 5, 10:30 a.m. at the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Forbes