

TOWN OF DUDLEY

Massachusetts Historical Commission

Dudley Municipal Complex
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Minutes of Dudley Historical Commission October 11, 2016

Called to order: 6:30PM. Present E. Bazinet, M. Branniff, C. Cierpich, C. Rawson Absent P. Biron, F. Meyer, L. Wieloch.

Minutes of 2016 approved by unanimous vote of eligible commissioners. No financial report presented.

2 West Main St. Demolition: Nothing further to report.

Historic District Progress; appears to be moving forward to completion next year.

Founders Court engraving is completed, estimated cost of proposed granite viewing seat is \$1300.

Scenic road report by C. Cierpich.

Trees: Nothing to report.

A 30" by 30" crudely framed map of the Tufts Village area bearing information that spans most of the 19th century was brought to this meeting by C. Rawson. It was donated to the Commission by the Bradshaw family of Dudley. It had an extended provenance with earlier generations of that family. Its condition is extremely faded and barely legible but historically very interesting. It appears to be a custom commissioned example of cartography. The commission by unanimous vote authorized M. Branniff to explore the possibility of obtaining an enhanced version of the original, and it authorized to spend a maximum of \$200, if a feasible process is found.

A Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board (SHRAB) matching grant is available "proposals to construct new markers for historically significant sites will also be considered." M. Branniff will contact MHC to discuss the feasibility of an Andersonville, Georgia memorial marker honoring Dudley Volunteer being funded by SHRAB and the Malser Fund.

Chair reported on the DAR Revolutionary War veterans grave ceremony at Corbin cemetery yesterday morning.

At 7:17 PM by unanimous vote meeting was closed. Next meeting Nov.8, 2016 Respectfully submitted.

Michael Branniff