



TOWN OF DUDLEY
Massachusetts
Historical Commission
Dudley Municipal Complex
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Minutes of the Dudley Historical Commission
December 13, 2016

Called to order 1833 P.M. Present: E. Bazinet, M. Branniff, Pat Biron, C. Rawson. Absent C. Cierpich, F. Meyer.

Minutes of October 11, 2016: Motion to accept minutes as presented by L. Wieloch with second, accepted by a unanimous vote.

Financial update presented by C. Ross. Motion to accept as presented by M. Branniff with second, accepted by unanimous vote.

Demolition of 2 West Main Street was reported by E. Bazinet as under way and nearly complete in its initial phase. Described as very professional. A representation of the metal etching by Graphics Unlimited was distributed to the Commission by E. Bazinet.

Historic District progress was characterized as on track and in good shape by a member of the MHC in conversation with M. Branniff a few weeks ago. The Dudley Historical Commission has taken steps to attempt to avail itself of a Preservation Grant for Veterans Collections, Monuments and Memorials offered by the Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board; to consist of a granite Memorial for Dudley Town Common bearing the names of the Dudley Civil War soldiers who were held captive at Andersonville Prison.

A motion to authorize an application for the Andersonville Memorial to SHRAB and an expression of the DHC's strong support for this project was offered by M. Branniff, with second, and was approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Stevens Dye House was toured by E. Bazinet, J. Ruda and Janet Blanchet of JND Civil Engineers of North Grosvenordale with a view to recreational development of the site.

E. Bazinet conducted J. Ruda on a tour of historical sites in Dudley including the Town Common

In response to a question by C. Rawson about the Tufts Village map donated to the Commission last October, M. Branniff reported that the reproduction of the original map was only marginally improved due to the faded state of the original. The fee of Case and Foster of Auburn for the work was born privately.

A motion to adjourn by L. Wieloch passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 1907 P.M..
Next meeting January 10, 2017

Respectfully Submitted
Michael Branniff

Secretary