



# TOWN OF HOPEDALE

## Hopedale Historical Commission

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Agenda  
June 1, 2023  
7:00 p.m.

Little Red Shop Museum  
12 Hopedale Street, Hopedale Massachusetts

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*By Lisa M. Pedroli at 3:47 pm, May 30, 2023*

**THIS IS A HYBRID MEETING – IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM LINK BELOW**

The Town of Hopedale is inviting you to the June 1, 2023 Zoom meeting of the Hopedale Historical Commission.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88165511766?pwd=YkluU2VNazdybnNXa05tRHhDdGxCQT09>

Meeting ID: 881 6551 1766

Passcode: 440500

Call to Order and attendance - Jonathan Chase, Co-Chair

Minutes from June, September, October, November 2022; January, February, March, and May 2023 HHC monthly meetings; June and July 2022 HHC Special meetings. The April 6, 2023 Historical Commission Meeting was cancelled due to a lack of quorum.

Treasurer's Report – Sue C.

- Expenses
- Donations
- Received end of year (FY2023) information and corresponding forms from Laurie Bartkus, Eric Kinsherf, CPA. We need to reconcile the ledger accounts to HHC records for the HHC and LRSM.

## Old Business

- **SHRAB Regrant** – Sue C./Bev Carver – we need to publish an article about receiving the Roving Archivist and SHRAB Regrant - Bev agreed to draft an article based on Sue’s initial article. Sue sent the article document, and copies of the Roving Archivist and Regrant Grants to Bev for reference.
- **Collections, Accession + Deaccession policies** - update – Jonathan and Sue C.
- **Deed-of-Gift** - update – Sue C.
- **Donation of remaining looms** at SSE, in our charge, to North Carolina Textile Museum - update Sue C.
  - No update from Mac Whatley from the North Carolina Textile Museum.
  - Peter Dills, University of Minnesota is scheduled to visit on Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> to view XD loom and tour SSE.
- **Signs at Green Store** – update - Bev Carver
- **NPS – VIP Banner** for pop-up – update – Sue C.
- **BHC Grant - Bike Repair Station, Bike Rack** – Sue and Jonathan attended the May 18th Park Commission meeting via Zoom. Sue prepared a PowerPoint presentation with photos and information that was shared with the Park Commission. They accepted the offer of the Bike Repair Station and Bike Rack. Sue picked them up at the BHC office in Whitinsville on May 19<sup>th</sup> and delivered them to Park Commission Chair Mike Reynolds on Tuesday evening, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sue and Jonathan went down to the Bathhouse after the meeting. Based on their assessment of the area around the Bathhouse, Sue sent an email to the Park Commission with photos of a suggested location near the boat ramp/kiosk located next to the Bathhouse. - Sue C. and Jonathan
- **NE Region NPS historical architect Jed Porter’s site visit report/NPS Follow-up/Catchup Site Visit** - Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> - 11 a.m. - Sue C., Pat, and Bev met with Eric Breitreutz and Kevin Rice. It was suggested and agreed to try to meet monthly.
- **LRSB Wayside Panel Project** – Pat agreed to work on this project. Sue sent the document containing the original writeup and some additional ideas via email. Pat is in process of working on this - update - Pat
- **Sr. Real Estate Tax Credit Volunteer Projects** – Sue C., Bev Carver, and Pat G.
- **CINTAS** – maintenance and inspection of alarm system – Sue C. - no update
- **Historical Commission CD from the State of Massachusetts, Roles, and Responsibilities** - update - Sue has been unable to successfully locate the software needed to load this “old” CD.
- **Community Preservation Act Committee** – update - Jonathan
- **Blackstone Heritage Corridor Board of Directors** – update - Sue C.
- **BHC VIP Photography Ambassador** – Tony Mistretta - update - Sue C.
- **Meeting with Kevin Rice (NPS) and Meghan Turney (Archivist) - March 1st** – Meghan sent documentation on May 9<sup>th</sup> based on this meeting to Sue C. - Sue shared it with Bev Carver, Pat, and Jonathan.
- **Eagle Scout Project - Trolley Bridge Signs** - Troop One Hopedale Life Scout Ryan Dupuis – update - Sue C.
- **Nomination of Beverly Carver for Member** - Hopedale Historical Commission - update Sue C.
- **Nomination of Heather Dupuis for Alternate Member** for Hopedale Historical Commission - update Sue C.
- **Hopedale Town Annual Report and Resident Listing Inventory** - update - Bev Carver
- **MA Humanities Grant** - Linda Hixon reached out to us to see if we might be interested in this for the LRSB. None of us is able to commit time resources to write or work on this grant at this time.

- **Grafton Historical Society** - Sue C. has been in touch once again with Grafton Historical Society President Nancy Therrien who offered to provide some guidance to us on Past Perfect. A visit to their museum for some insight into this museum software stills needs to be scheduled.
- **Massachusetts History Alliance** - MHA will hold their 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass History Conference on Monday, June 5, 2023. Sue C., Pat and Bev are registered to attend.
- **Digital Commonwealth** - Sue C. had a follow-up telephone conversation with Jake Sadow, Statewide Digitization Project Archivist for the Boston Public Library, on May 19<sup>th</sup>. He said to check back in a month's time to determine when they may be able to accept our Annual Town Reports (1886 - current) for digitization. Sue also asked about the scanning of our collection of glass negatives.
- **LRSM Reopening** - resumed on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, from 1 - 4 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays) and every Wednesday, from 6 - 8 p.m. - update
- **Fairy Walk** - Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> - volunteers needed to staff the LRSM from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- **Hopedale Flag Day Ceremony - LRSM** - Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Inside help with refreshments setup and monitoring needed. Marine Tom Beder is once again the organizer.
- **Hopedale Community House 100<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration** - Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are still needed to staff a table for Gift Shoppe sales. The event runs from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

### **New Business**

- **Visit from General Draper Descendent, Jill Calfee Smith - Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>** - Sue C.

### **Public Comment**

Other items not anticipated in the last 48 hours

**Next meeting:** Thursday, August 3, 2023, 7 p.m. It was voted last year to no longer hold HHC meetings in the month of July.

### **Adjourn**