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February 2, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Little Red Shop Museum
12 Hopedale Street, Hopedale Massachusetts

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

On July 16, 2022, Lt. Governor Polito, as Acting Governor, signed into law An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency. (1) This meeting will be a hybrid meeting – in person and via Zoom link below.

If you wish to speak, please reserve comments until the Public Comment section of the meeting. If you are using video, you may either raise your hand to be acknowledged by the Chair or use the “Raise Your Hand” button. Please wait to speak until you are acknowledged by Chair. If participants cannot conduct themselves in accordance with these guidelines, they will be removed from meeting.

Also Streamed Live, click here: https://townhallstreams.com/towns/hopedale_ma

Town of Hopedale is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Historical Commission Monthly Meeting

Time: Feb 2, 2023 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83881400145?pwd=VWFnc3hVeGU3WU85SmQrUWVFaUp5QT09>

Meeting ID: 838 8140 0145

Passcode: 821508

Call to Order and attendance - Jonathan

Minutes from June, September, October, November, January 5, 2023 HHC monthly meetings; June and July HHC Special meetings

Treasurer’s Report – Sue C. and James O.

- **Expenses**
- **Donations**

Old Business

- **SHRAB Regrant** – update – Sue C. – James O. and Jonathan
 - **Regrant Fund Accounts** received from Laurie Bartkus, Town Accountant. Sue sent email to James on January 14th regarding which accounts to use.
 - **Archival supplies** ordered January 14th. The Historical Commission has its own account. Supplies received.
 - **Accession + Deaccession policies** update – Jonathan, James O., 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.
- **Signs at Green Store** – Bev Carver has reached out to the new owner via regular mail.
- **NPS – VIP Banner** for pop-up – Sue C. and Pat G. met with Molly Cardoza on January 13th. Sue sent Molly a photo for the banner wall on January 30th.
- **BHC Grant - Bike Repair Station, Bike Rack, and signage for LRSM** – need to reach out to Park Commission - Sue C.
 - Sue took photos when she and Pat met with Molly Cardoza on January 13th.
 - Sue recommends that we reconsider a location near the LRSM, possibly on area under Park Commission jurisdiction.
- **Capital Planning/ARPA** (American Rescue Plan Act) – LRSM currently not included.
- **Eagle Scout Project** - Troop One Hopedale Life Scout Ryan Dupuis – update – met with him on January 6th and 16th.
- **Northeast Region NPS historical architect Jed Porter’s rescheduled site visit - January 26th** – Sue C., Pat G., Karen P., Bev Carver, and Select Board member Bernie Stock attended along with several NPS personnel.
- **LRSM Wayside Panel Project** – Sue and James – Sue has writeups and photos for James.
- **LRSM domain name up for renewal?** – Sue C.
- **Historical Commission Annual Report** – Sue C. - due February 1st
- **LRSM toilet clog repair** – Wednesday, February 1st – local plumber Kevin MacDonald
- **Sr. Real Estate Tax Credit Volunteers** – Sue C., Bev Carver, and Pat G.
 - Volunteer Orientation Meeting – February 1st at 10:30 a.m. – Bev Carver and Pat G.
- **General Agreement with National Park Service** – needs to be renewed for August 9, 2024. Sue sent email to BRVNHP Superintendent Eric Breitzkreutz on January 27th to notify him of this. This Agreement was signed by Town Administrator Steven Sette and BRVNHP Interim Superintendent Jennifer Smith in August 2019.
- **CINTAS** – maintenance and inspection of alarm system

New Business

- **Blackstone Watershed Collaborative Director - Stephanie Covino** – through BRVNHP Superintendent Eric Breitzkreutz, Sue was introduced to Stephanie via email. She shared that the Town of Hopedale was awarded nearly \$500k through Congressman Auchincloss’ office for dredging of Hopedale Pond and assessing the restoration potential of fixing up the dam and daylighting the river running through the former Draper Manufacturing site on the other side. She believes some of that funding will also go toward public education and outreach as well as looking at culverts in the area to determine other ecological improvement opportunities. She shared that this natural resource protection project, for the Hopedale Pond, is being funded via funding in the State’s annual budget.

Eric shared that the Blackstone Watershed Collaborative is an important partner to the BRVNHP. Stephanie is in the process of arranging an in-person meeting at the Little Red Shop Museum to include Sue and key LRSM volunteers, BHC and BRVNHP personnel, and other Hopedale folks and/or Congressman Auchincloss’ office. She shared that Congressman Auchincloss’ office would like the new contact

information in Town Hall with the resignation of Town Administrator Diana Schindler. Sue emailed Stephanie with this information on January 31st,

- **Essentials of Photo Organizing** – online webinar attended by Sue and Bev Carver on January 25th.
- **Answering Your Questions About Metadata** – attended by Sue C., Karen P., and volunteers Blanche L.ourie, and Bev Carver on January 19th. Presented by Digital Commonwealth and the Boston Public Library.
- **Historical Commission CD** - located by Sue C. Suggest that we view it together. It is about 1 hour long.
- **Community Preservation Act Committee** - Historical Commission representative is Jonathan Chase. Sue notified Martha White, Interim Executive Assistant to Interim Town Administrator Jeff Nutting, by email on January 17th with Jonathan’s contact information.
- **Request to meet with Interim Town Administrator** – Jeff Nutting
- **Blackstone Heritage Corridor Board of Directors** – Sue C.
- **Blackstone Heritage Corridor – Network Meeting** – Next meeting will be held February 8th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the Museum of Work and Culture in Woonsocket, RI – Sue C., Pat G., Karen P. and Bev Carver all plan to attend and tour the Museum prior to the meeting.
- **BHC VIP Photography Ambassador** – Sue and Bev Carver met with Tony Mistretta on January 26th about a project he is willing to assist us. We need to photograph additional artifacts, photographs, and documents at the Museum since originally done by BHC VIP Photography Ambassador Carol Dandrade in 2017.
- **BHC VIP Recruitment Meeting at LRSM** - Molly Cardoza Director of Volunteer and Community Engagement for the Blackstone Heritage Corridor plans to meet with our volunteers on Wednesday, March 1st at 10:30 a.m.
- **MHC Announcing MPPF Round 29** – application deadline March 17, 2023
 - Virtual workshop only – available by Zoom Invitation - Wednesday, January 18, 2023 - 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
 - Sue unable to attend.
- **CZUR Scanner** - Sue reached out to the company about whether the scanner software could be downloaded to more than one desktop or laptop. Yes, it can!
- **Blackstone Valley Mill Explorations Exhibit** – Cristi Collari, Director of Community Outreach, Open Sky Community Services, reached out to Sue by email on January 19th about our visit to this exhibit. We had expressed our interest in replicating it at the Little Red Shop Museum at some point. She shared that they’d “love to collaborate with us to make that happen,” and that she and her assistant Mary would love to visit the Little Red Shop Museum and meet with us to discuss this possibility. Exhibitor David Lawlor, from Providence, RI, has reached out to us through the LRSM website. We should also reach out to James Hunt, the second exhibitor, from North Grafton, who did photos and video of the Draper Factory demolition.
- **Assistant Volunteer Curator(s)** – Need to discuss this request by the Volunteer Curator who has served in the position since April 2010.

Public Comment

Other items not anticipated in the last 48 hours

Next meeting: Thursday, March 2, 2023, 7 p.m.

Adjourn

(1) This Act includes an extension, until March 31, 2023, of the remote meeting provisions of March 12, 2020, Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. Section (1) of the executive order allowing public access through adequate, alternative means is independent from Section (2), which allows members of the public body to participate remotely. The public body may conduct its proceedings under the relief provided in section (1)