



## Minutes for Derry Heritage Commission

Monday, February 13, 2023

### Call to Order

Salute to the Flag, pointing out Fire Exits, Handicap Access, turn off cell phones and pagers.

Roll Call

In attendance – Paul Lindemann, TJ Cullinane, Mike Hill, Karen Blandford-Anderson, Kaleigh Shaughnessy and

Friend of the Commission: Mike Gavrish

### Chairman's Report

- Review and approval of Minutes from 12-12-2022 – Motion to accept minutes as written by Paul Lindemann seconded by TJ Cullinane - Approved 4-0

### Old Business

- Blog Postings and Website
  - a. Process Update and Approval – Paul Lindemann will write them up and we'll review them prior to the meeting and enter them into our processes between now and the next meeting on April 3rd.
- Museum Updates:
  - a. Renovation – Phase I Update – Bailey Donovan
  - b. Acquisitions and Inventory – Process for artifact and
    - i. Item number
    - ii. Omeka Sheet
    - iii. Photo
    - iv. Packed and boxed and location determined.
    - v. Entered into Omeka
- Upcoming outreach –
  - o Cemetery Clean up April 15<sup>th</sup> with May 6<sup>th</sup> as the back-up date with Pinkerton Jr. ROTC, National Honor Society - up to 75 people. Cleaning group, straightening group, cemetery pick-up group. Working with their advisors to coordinate the activity. TJ and Paul to coordinate location for lunch (potentially church) and Meeting house.
  - o Joint Library/Cemetery Tour – May 24<sup>th</sup> 6-7:00pm with 5 luminaries each tour. Erin and TJ meeting to try and put it together the program.
  - o Paul Lindemann is looking to get into a program about creating a good cemetery tour. Nancy Hayward is attending and potentially can give us an overview.
- Frost Fest – Saturday February 18, 2023 - 12-3:00pm. The museum will have a special opening.

- Derry Civil War veteran Johnny Parker and Ocean Born Mary story by the Jr. Historians.
- Books for sale, learn about the museum updates, and explore volunteer opportunities for cemeteries, museum, and other areas of town.
- Volunteers: TJ, Nate, Mike, Paul, and the Jr. Historian.

#### New Business

- Boston Post Cane Recipient - new search – review process and discuss timing.
- Robert Frost/Stagecoach Byway - New member appointment.
- Articles for Newspaper – review potential process and discussion.

#### Events update by Paul Lindemann

- June 3, 2023 - Spring time History Day – Civil War Encampment – June 3<sup>rd</sup> - First Parish Meeting House
- August 19, 2023 - National Potato Day – First Parish Historical Preservation Group to do a potato fest. Paul also is working with Bev Donovan and potentially work with Marc Siragusa and the Potato Concept group to offer food for that event.
- The Arts Council - committee is looking at ideas for people to do more artwork of historic areas close by. Funaire (Sp) –
- Coloring book – working on the final artwork to get it ready to publish. 8.5x11 perforated pages.

#### Commission Requests/Open Discussions

#### Adjournment

Next Meeting – Monday, April 3, 2023

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Blandford-Anderson, Chairperson, Derry Heritage Commission