

Pepperell Historical Commission
Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 22, 2018
Location: Town Hall Conference Room B

Members present: Diane Cronin, Ron Karr, Cory Minichino, Dean Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairperson Diane Cronin.

The minutes from the meeting of September 18, 2017, were accepted.

Announcements

- PHC members received notification of their obligations under the state Conflict of Interest law
- The commission received a letter from Susan Smith, President of the Pepperell Historical Society, regarding celebration of the town's 250th anniversary in 2025.
- The Johnny Appleseed organization has offered to post and publicize our events through their visitors' center

Old Business

- All DeFelice donated materials have been deposited in the Lawrence Library
- Col. Prescott Statue: 2 Sculptors have been interviewed in person, a third contacted by email. The building fund has received \$100 in donations. There was discussion concerning the foundation/base of the statue.
- Cory Minichino moved that the commission adopt the following resolution: "That we base the clothing of the statue on the image of William Prescott as in Trumbull's painting, "Surrender at Saratoga," being of civilian attire." This was seconded by Dean Johnson, and agreed to by a vote of 4 to 0.

New Business

Master Plan Update Committee: Diane has been appointed to the town committee, with the intention of having the plan address issues regarding historical preservation and public awareness of the town's historical assets.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 19, 2018

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Ron Karr, Clerk