

HERITAGE COMMISSION

MINUTES- Sept 10, 2013 – 7pm - Smyth Memorial Building

Attendance: Betty Sabeau, Andy Maloney, Ray Cresswell, Sandra Whitcomb, Carleton Robie, selectman rep., Diane Philbrick, chair, Pat Larken, guest.

The meeting commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.
The July minutes were approved. There was no meeting in August.

Recent activities:

1. The Smyth Memorial Building was open on the same Saturdays as the Fitts Museum in July and August. Sandra Whitcomb was hostess. Ray Cresswell presented a program on the history of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company rifle production.
2. The East Candia walking tour was completed. Thank you Betty and Carmelle.
3. The Soldiers' Monument has been waxed. ATS Rental donated and erected staging. The Sterlings provided water for washing. Betty is to send a note of thanks to both. Betty and Andy washed and waxed the monument.
The job took about 4 hours. There are chips on the surface, probably due to the fact that we have not been observing the recommended waxing procedure. This should be done annually.
4. The rifle has been reinstalled on the soldier. It had been found on the ground broken last spring, was sent to Rika Smith McNally for repair and has awaited the completion of the waxing in order to be reset.
5. 25 Mill Books were reordered and are now for sale. Money was taken from the Smyth fund to pay for the books as all profits from the books are donated to this fund. There is about a \$9 profit at the \$20 selling price.
6. Thank you to Andy and Nancy Maloney for painting the external front entryway.
7. Thank you to Gary Morgan and Silas Philbrick for painting the flag post.

SEPT. 21 SEMIQ CELEBRATE CANDIA DAY

Heritage involvement will be:

Open house at the Smyth Memorial Building

Historical displays of the Monument Restoration, Water powered mill sites,

Candia schoolhouses and moving the Smyth Schoolhouse to Sturbridge

The Hill Walking Tour map and brochure

Refreshments

East Candia Walking Tour

Historical Bus Tour of Candia

BUDGET

The Heritage Commission will request of budget of \$600 for the 2014 fiscal year.

The Commission recommended that Carleton submit an increase to the town budget line for maintenance of the Smyth Building to \$10,000. This would allow the possibility of installing an adequate bathroom.

Next Meeting: 7 PM, Oct. 8 at the Smyth Memorial Building