



HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF MILFORD

Memorial Hall, School Street
Milford, MA 01757



Chairman Robert Andreola called the January 10, 2024 meeting of the Milford Historical Commission to order at 7:02 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Pam, seconded by Ron. Motion was unanimous.

Bob reported on the latest information regarding the MA Preservation Projects Fund administered by the MHC Workshops, and a video on how to apply for funding online. The deadline is March 15, 2024.

The new MHS OLI advisors are Ursula Hunt and Mark Pinto. The invoice was received for the 2024 book.

Rick Villani requested information regarding the Purchase St. fire station. He received funding at Town Meeting to restore the building for town use.

Larry Dunkin requested a copy of our history book and a PDF file for the “Comprehensive Plan for Milford.”

Discussion on the pros and cons regarding posting a sign stating “no pictures allowed” followed. We will not post a sign, but we will be cautious.

I will correspond with Jennifer Doherty, Programs Coordinator, regarding the nomination of Draper Memorial Park to the National Register. In 2010, I sent an application to designate the Draper statue, but it was returned with the request that the entire park be listed instead, with the Draper statue listed as a significant object within the park.

Ms. Doherty sent an email this year stating that they want a professional to submit applications rather than volunteers. The fee may be \$250-300, and more if extensive research is involved.

We can now search scanned documents and folders, thanks to Scott. The public will be invited to come into Memorial Hall to research information on Thursdays. He also converted the RTF files we received from Robin Philbin to JPEGs

We sent \$25 to Mark Keller for mowing the lawn at the North Purchase District School.

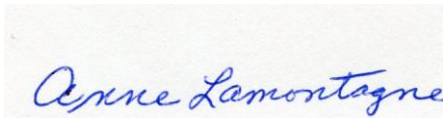
Anne sent a letter to Mass Historic informing them that Thelma’s house, 44 Silver Hill Road, has been sold and renovated and asked if this disqualified it from the National Register. Also, the house at 86 Beaver Street, listed on the State Inventory, will be demolished.

Bob will contact the IT department regarding a sub-menu. If this is something available to us, it would allow for the public to view a file with all the pictures and documents that have been digitized.

We will set aside a half-hour each Thursday to try to identify people in pictures that were saved from negatives.

Lisa Regan, Director of the Senior Center, invited me to give a presentation on the town, Feb. 27, at 1 p.m. Scott volunteered to assist with the program.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:20 pm by Ron, seconded by Pam. Motion was unanimous. The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 7 p.m. in Memorial Hall.



Commissioners Present

Robert Andreola, Chairman
Robert Samiagio, Treasurer
Anne Lamontagne, Secretary
Pam Fields
Mary Villani
Ron Marino

Commissioner Absent

Scott Wilson

Associate Commissioners Present

Marsha Mancuso
Bill Farrell