

DUNBARTON HISTORICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE

December 11, 2023, 6:00 pm

Members Present: Donna Dunn, Paula Mangini, Gail Martel, Fred Mullen, Lee Mullen, Bill Nichols, Cindy Pinard

Members out of town/absent: Dave Nault (BOS Liaison), Linda Nickerson (not required), Bill Zeller

Minutes: Paula motioned to approve the minutes of the 11/27/23 meeting, Fred seconded, unanimous.

Stinson School sign: Donna was able to connect to Mrs. Araldi and Dave will make a follow up call to her husband.

Donna will give the sign, post and hardware to Fred for installation (Lee Martel will help).

Scipio Page BHTNH marker: When previously discussing the BHTNH marker for Scipio we agreed to pay 50% of the cost of installing the marker, which was generally in the range of \$1,000 but could be more. Donna has submitted the application and supporting documentation to the Trail but we're not sure when we'll need to issue a check.

Gail made a motion that Donna can authorize a check for up to \$1,000 as needed, but further monies need further approval by the DHAC, Bill seconded the motion. After a brief discussion the motion passed.

Potential QR Code for Scipio Page's gravesite: A QR code would allow us to provide the townsfolk and the general public much more information about Scipio than the BHTNH marker would provide. We've been told it's easy to create but that the information must be linked to an actual website. The Library would seem a natural. Donna will check with Librarian Mary and Linda Nickerson will provide us some feedback about the process.

Metal Detecting: Cindy advised the third graders were excited about a potential metal detecting project. The DHS Schoolhouse and the abutting Allwood historic house site are a possible spot. The Allwoods seemed interested and the DHS President said they would think about it. The DHS further advised that much of the soil at their museum site has been brought in through the years. We'll circle back around on this project in the Spring. The fellow Paula connected with may be able to help. More information needs to be gathered.

Adjourn/Next Meeting: Paula made a motion to adjourn at 6:28, Bill N. seconded. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 22, 6 pm at the Town Offices. That date could change due; members will be advised.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Dunn, Chair & Secretary