SUBJECT TO CORRECTION AND APPROVAL

DUNBARTON HISTORICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE

March 22, 2021, 6:00 pm lawn of Town Office (Covid pandemic precautions taken: masks & social distancing)

Members Present: Donna Dunn, Paula Mangini, Gail Martel, Bob Martel (Selectman Liaison), Fred Mullen, Lee Mullen, Bill Nichols, Members out of town/absent: Linda Nickerson, Ken Swayze, Bill Zeller

Minutes: Gail made a motion to approve the minutes of the 2/9/21 minutes, Bill seconded, unanimous.

<u>Committee Members:</u> Lee Martel and Bob Boynton's terms have both ended. We thank them for their past contributions, especially Lee who was a real natural with field work. Both would like to be kept in the loop and hope to help if they have time. THANK YOU! Swear ins are needed for: Paula, Lee Mullen, Linda, Bob M. Donna will have the town website updated.

<u>DHAC Financials</u>: Gail reported the latest Citizens statement: \$10 expense, \$20 income (2 books), current balance \$6,680.96 Fred made a motion to accept the report, Bill seconded, unanimous.

The new "Got History?" Sign: Is finished and up at the town office. Thanks Paula.

<u>Goat Farm:</u> Everyone was updated. There was a discussion on millstones. Bill shared what he knew about the Benjamin Hadley millstones.

<u>Children's Story</u>: A former resident is bringing us a transcript about a robin being raised in a house in Dunbarton. We'll review it for potential use at the DES.

Dunbarton Civil War soldiers: A town resident, Jason Dieffenbacher, has offered to look over some of our material with an eye to helping us locate photos of town soldiers and maybe solving the mystery "is Capt. Andrew Jackson Stone *really* buried in the Center Cemetery?" Paula is also interested. Fred provided some history as to why there isn't a Civil War memorial on the Common.

School Site Signs: Discussion on how to proceed with signs for former sites. There are potentially nine. We already have permission for the Stark School. We'll get the names of the other land owners and seek permission. We should have a draft of a sign ready to show them. Lee will help Donna with the wording of the signs. Fred said he can help with a PowerPoint presentation for all the collected information that can't go on an actual sign but could be used at the DES..

Digitized books, scanned maps, etc.: The library was the (hopeful) unanimous choice for hosting the material that we'll be making digitally available. Donna will talk with Mary and Linda Nickerson about how this might potentially happen.

<u>Recollections Videos disclaimer:</u> A general disclaimer for all videos should be considered. Will discuss mechanics first with Linda. Exact wording later.

Holiday Haven Acres: Bill Nichols pointed out that very little history on how this development came to be has been recorded. Many townspeople were employed in this endeavor and he named several. It would be prudent to collect this history. There may be some residents who would help.

<u>Marshall's Cabins</u>: A descendent allowed us to copy numerous photos of the old "Marshall's Cabins" vacation area at the Southern tip of Gorham Pond. It's long gone but a few buildings remain as the current owner still maintains them.

<u>Adjourn/Next Meeting</u>: Paula made a motion to adjourn at 6:51, Gail seconded. Tentative meetings next scheduled for 4/26 and 5/24. Covid pandemic issues may change this.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Dunn, Chair & Secretary