DUNBARTON HISTORICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE
September 26, 2016, 6:30 Meeting – Town Office

Members Present: Laraine Allen, Donna Dunn, Les Hammond, Gail Martel, Lee Martel
Members out of town/absent: Lynn Aramini, Tiffany Dodd, Bob Martel (Selectman Liaison), Alison Vallieres, Ken Swayze, Bill Zeller

Minutes: Lee made a motion to accept the minutes of the 6/27/16 meeting. Les seconded. Unanimous.

Meeting Schedule: Consensus was that the summer hiatus from meetings went smoothly. Items that needed attention were addressed or deferred until now; will consider the same for 2017 if workload allows.

DHAC Funds: Both 8/31/16 Bank Statements were reviewed. No expenditures; pennies for interest. Statements accepted.

Boston Post Cane: An email from the Town Office asked if the DHAC was interested in locating the new recipient of the Cane. In addition to workload, it was felt this doesn’t fit the three-prong Mission Statement assigned to us by town vote: historical house signs, identifying historical sites and educational materials for school children. Suggestions were gladly offered, however, and an email will be sent with them in response.

Educational Calendar 2016-2017:

October - Two new items added for consideration: Family History Month: The DHAC will consider purchasing a one-year subscription to ancestry.com or similar for student use at the Library. No one on the committee is a “techie” so Donna will check with the Librarian to see what might be feasible.

Archeology Day: Last year the DES had expressed interest in doing a second “dig” on the lawn of the Town Office to locate the old DES time capsule. We will check with Shelley Westenberg to see if there is still interest.

November - Native American Heritage Month: Both Bob & Lee are Native American. Lee believes he & Bob might be able to locate (from their rambling days in their youth) the last site in Dunbarton near Little Lane where Indians resided and perhaps take a photo. GPS? Contact Fred Mullen? Sign? Les thought Bill Nichols might have info and will contact him. We could also obtain a photo of the Indian Grinding Stone and possibly put together a Teacher Tidbit Sheet. More research needed.

April – Three new items for consideration (what materials do we have access to?): National Letter Writing Month, National Volunteer Month, Mathematics Awareness Month

May – Two new items for consideration (as above): Preservation Month, National Police Week 5/12 – 5/21

Committee Education: Les Hammond has graciously agreed to share a box of old photos with the Committee at next month’s meeting. It’s hopeful there are items that will supplement our education materials.

Next Meeting: Lee made a motion to adjourn at 7:40; Les seconded. Next Meeting is Monday, October 24, 6:30 at the Town Offices.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Dunn,
Chair & Secretary