SUBJECT TO REVIEW, CORRECTION AND APPROVAL

DUNBARTON HISTORICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE
March 26, 2018, 6:30, Town Office

Members Present: Donna Dunn, Les Hammond, Paula Mangini, Bob Martel (Selectman Liaison), Gail Martel, Lee Martel, Fred Mullen, Bill Zeller

Members out of town/absent: Laraine Allen, Lynn Aramini, Linda Nickerson, Ken Swayze
Guest: Bob Boynton

Minutes: Fred made a motion to accept the minutes of the 2/28/18 meeting, second by Les, unanimous.

DHAC Financials: The 2/28/18 statements were reviewed and accepted.

Bud’s Books: Curios on the Common sold several; checks for our share are issued quarterly. More books were provided.

OCR Research: Three books were scanned into pdf searchable format and are now available at the Town Library: Bud Noyes, Ella Mills and Alice Hadley’s books. John Mills’ “The Snowflake” is in process. None were copyrighted irrespective of publication claims. This process was donated; there was no cost to the DHAC. More publications will be considered.

Library Edition ancestry.com: Mary is promoting the first Thursday of the Month as “Genealogy Night” 6:30 - 8

Committee Updates: Five member’s terms expire in March and four have been invited to continue: Lee, Paula, Ken and Fred. Bob Boynton has been invited to fill the fifth slot and has accepted. Welcome Aboard! Linda Landry will draw up appointment papers for the Thursday night BOS meeting, and everyone needs to arrange with her to be sworn in afterwards.

Video “Recollection” Interviews:
Releases - all received except one - a third request was sent.

Covers - Paula is making beautiful covers for the videos. Nancy Strasser, Nancy Frost and Fred Mills are complete. One more photo is needed to finish Don Untiet. A sample cover was emailed to Rodney Doucet’s son with a request for help with photos. Bill Zeller will supply Paula with photos. Donna will find something for Webster Burnham. Paula will work with Linda directly to ‘place’ the covers at the beginning of the videos. Linda will then connect with Line to open a link on the town web site.

Sound Quality: Lee purchased a microphone

Professional Input: Lee & Donna attended a Nackey Loeb School morning class for interviewing techniques. Speakers included Fritz Weatherbee and John Clayton. Due to voting, Lee/Donna couldn’t stay for the afternoon videotaping class. The instructor, John Gfoerer, volunteered to come to Dunbarton for a one-on-one. All our videos have been sent to him to critique.

Editing: Other than shortening the Rodney Doucet interview (Adam & Linda Nickerson are assisting) none needed editing.

Elijah Lyman Harris Journal: Judy Stone has graciously allowed us to copy this amazing 53-page oversized journal from 1815-1836 and will allow it to be accessed for transcription. Parts of the journal were previously published in Caleb Stark’s History of Dunbarton in 1860 and also mentioned in Alice Hadley’s (unpublished) town genealogy. Keene State College wrote a HS curriculum for this type of cursive transcription project and Donna will be speaking with the Professor on Friday. It’s possible this could be used for a special project for Dunbarton and/or Bow High School Seniors.

Site Signs: Lee suggested getting a list for the next batch of site signs ready: Old Episcopal Church site (need GPS coordinates/owner permission), Hadley Blacksmith/Wheelwright Shop (need owner permission), Bailey’s Corner (permission already acquired), Stark School site (Fred has contacts for permission), Montalona School site (need land owner permission, GPS?)

Next Meeting: Lee made a motion to adjourn at 7:25, second by Fred, unanimous. Next meeting: 4/23/18, 6:30, Town Office.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Dunn, Chair & Secretary