

Minutes of Meeting: LMT Historic Commission: August 14, 2024

At 7:30 pm Joe called to order on zoom, Cathy presiding over order of meeting in person. Members present: Cathy, Monica, Jeff B., Jim S., Mitch, B.O.S. liaison Suzanne, Helen, Tom missing-excused, Chris has resigned due to work-related issues, Victor arrived at 8:00pm. Two in person volunteers! Cathy asked Helen to take over as secretary until January.

Minutes from April Meeting presented, Motion to approve Jeff, Cathy 2nd, unanimously approved.

Plans for Sept. 14th event at Slate Hill discussed and cited concern over lack of response from invitees. Monica suggested event should be better presented on Facebook. Both in person volunteers gave input and agreed to work for this event. Suggestions for collection of more chairs, podium, etc.

“America 250” briefly discussed. A budget needs to be addressed, possibility of displays in various township locations should be planned. To date we are agreed on a possible Macclesfield re-enactment, a Washington’s path race/walk with stops, and seasonal displays.

“Ghost Tour” next on agenda and Victor is taking on a lot of the site logistics for this event. Ads and sponsorships were discussed. Mitch presented the sign and discussed advertizing as did Jeff suggesting merchandise possibly on sale at the event. Cathy reported she is working with some of the volunteers present (Ashley & Dawn) on the scripts and other genealogical info.

Jim Sachs gave a succinct presentation on sponsorships for the event—little signs on the site. There was a discussion of booklets

Discussion on the actual tombstone project followed. Grants are official and planned lifting, re-sitting of tombstones early in 2025.

Tom and Monica are working on Q-R codes some of which ma be ready for the ghost-tour. Victor is working on a survey and condition report of existing stones.

Articles for the B. C. Herald Newspaper are due Sept. 1, to Monica.

Joe mentioned the HARB meeting he had attended, that they are reviewing the proposed Demolition Ordinance and we would have more info in September. He asked Jeff to talk about the status of the Historic Structures Research Study. Jeff presented the timeline about bids, award of contract and start date as he understood it from the township. It appears it should begin some time in October.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm- Next meeting Sept. 11.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Helen Heinz