

Emery Estate Advisory Board Record of Minutes and Proceedings

September 21, 2023 / 3:30pm Town Hall Weymouth, MA

Attendees:

Leilani Dalpe Jane Kudcey, Board Chair Sabrina Manzelli Rose Mary Mitchell Jennifer Weiss Donovan, Board Secretary

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 3:31pm by J.Kudcey, Board Chairman.

Meeting Minutes:

Meeting Minutes #4 (August 2023) were reviewed, motion to approve by LDalpe with one correction/clarification, seconded by RMitchell, so approved.

Old Business:

- 1. Historical Society Related Events at Emery Estate:
 - Historical Society Special Exhibition will be a Veterans Day Event; Nov 11, 2023 from 10:30-12:30 following the parade
 - Braintree Historical Society has been in touch about returning some cases they were holding; EAB agrees this would be appropriate for use at Emery Estate
 - A Civil War Re-Enactment is being discussed for spring 2024
- 2. Paranormal Events: dates have been discussed/arranged for Halloween tours relative to the interest in paranormal tours
 - Events are scheduled for October 20, 21, 27, 28 from 6:00pm-11:00pm; with 15 tickets/tour, multiple tours/night at \$25/ticket (interest in this event is evidenced by 120 tickets sold in 2 days on EventBrite, it will sell out quickly)
 - The revenue from Halloween events (and other seasonal events) is being reinvested into the house upkeep and improvements on an ongoing basis
 - Investigatory equipment is being purchased to remain at the Estate for guest use based on list provided by CParrish in August and estimate voted on; LDalpe pared down the list from \$2,352, to \$1,500, and ultimately purchased for only \$914, including rechargeable batteries
 - EAB members will be available for events at Emery to welcome, assist and help manage guests
- 3. Christmas Events: EAB has decided to move the previously discussed Christmas Tea to a Spring Tea due to the logistical challenges of planning this significant event during an extremely busy time of year; instead, EAB anticipates planning a "Ghost of Christmas Past" Emery Open House, tentatively Dec 9

- EAB member will be coordinating decoration of Emery for the holidays 12/2
- Details are 'to be determined', but it is anticipated that there will be a reading of a classic Christmas story at this event and should appeal to all ages in our community as the intent of events is to bring awareness to the Town, of the Emery Estate and all it has to offer
- 4. Other events currently in discussion include "Scare Your Sweetheart" in February, Spring Tea, and Quilting Bee/Quilt Show in summer; also, as discussed at last EAB meeting, train club display, paint nights, artist displays, book club, photography show openings.

New Business:

1. Discussion of populating an Emery Estate website to assist in sharing information about the Estate, various events, and the Emery Advisory Board

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Next Meeting:

A motion was made by J.Kudcey for next meeting of the Emery Estate Advisory Committee be held at Weymouth Town Hall on Monday October 16, 2023 at 3:30pm. The motion was seconded by L.Dalpe, and so voted unanimously.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm with a motion by LDalpe, second by SManzelli.

Jane Kudcey, Chairman Date