

# WEYMOUTH HISTORICAL COMMISSION

## MEETING MINUTES APRIL 11, 2006 Town Hall – Kelly Room

**PRESENT:** Chairman—Ted Clarke; Mary Dorey; Steve Puleo; Jodi Purdy Quinlan

**OTHERS:** Jody Lehrer

**ABSENT:** Tom Curtis; Ed Walker

Ted Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

### I. Minutes

**Motion:** A motion was made by Jodi Purdy-Quinlan to accept the minutes of the March 14, 2006, meeting of the Weymouth Historical Commission, and was seconded by Steve Puleo.  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

The members of the Commission did not receive the resend of the November 2003 minutes and, therefore, did not vote on these.

### II. Unfinished Business

Ted Clarke stated that the Mayor has made his decision to approve Associate Membership for the Weymouth Historical Commission.

#### A. Keavitt Award

Jodi Purdy-Quinlan presented two candidates for the members of the Commission to vote on to receive the Keavitt Award. Jodi Purdy-Quinlan spoke briefly in regards to the candidates. They are: Raymond “One Bear” Tremblay and Berj Kalian.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Jodi Purdy-Quinlan to designate Raymond “One Bear” Tremblay to receive the Keavitt Award for 2006 and was seconded by Mary Dorey.  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

**Motion:** A motion was made by Jodi Purdy-Quinlan to designate Berj Kalian to receive the Keavitt Award for 2006 and was seconded by Mary Dorey. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Jody Purdy-Quinlan will write the text to be used for the presentations of the Keavitt Awards next month. Ted Clarke stated that he expects press coverage of this event.

### III. Reports

#### A. Archival Consultant

A presentation was given by Rachel Onuf, one of the archivists who has been conducting the assessment of town records as per the Documentary Heritage Grant. She spoke to the members of the Commission to provide a progress report on her findings and recommendations for next steps. The following sites have been inventoried:

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- The Department of Public Works
- First Church
- The Police Department
- The Library
- The Weymouth Historical Society
- Unitarian Church
- The Town Hall
- The Fire Department
- The School Department

Items were looked at in groups and general recommendations to share with each group will be provided. At the Clerk's Office, Weymouth Historical Society, Town Hall, there was a sense that they know what they have and do not need their records to be inventoried. It was stated that because there is a significant difference between an archivist and a librarian, that the library is not the ideal place for historical records. The archivist felt that this may be an opportunity to bring the various groups together to promote synergy among the groups. There is also opportunity for volunteer work by members of the Commission.

Steve Puleo asked if any "Eureka" records were found. The response was that these will be highlighted in the final report.

The next step will be to have the final draft of the assessment which should be ready by mid May to allow time for Commission members to see the product before the June meeting at which the consultant(s) will briefly present findings and facilitate cooperation among stakeholders (departments, agencies, churches, etc.). All stakeholders will be invited to attend. It was suggested by Steve Puleo that the meeting be held at the normal WHC meeting time (7:00 P.M.). Jody Lehrer will discuss the details of the meeting with Jim Clarke.

#### **IV. Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 2006. The Keavitt Award presentation will be held at 6:30 PM and the meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.

#### **V. Adjournment**

**Motion:** Steve Puleo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM and was seconded by Mary Dorey. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

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Julie Santacrocce Burt  
Recording Secretary

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Ted Clarke  
Chairman