TOWN OF WINDSOR LOCKS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Meeting MINUTES: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 APR 24 AM II: 3 I

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Windsor Locks Historical Commission was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 in the Parlor, Noden-Reed House following an Agenda previously posted in the Town Clerk's Office with Covid protocols observed.

The Meeting was called to order at 6:33pm by Chairman Danyluk with the following Commissioners attending: James Pearce, Robert Pearce, Chester Pohorylo, Mickey Danyluk. There was no one from the public attending, hence no Public Input. A simple Financial Report followed with the Chair noting that the Commission was within its financial operating budget since it did not have Recording Secretary fees due to not having a Secretary; there have been no purchases of historic artifacts using the anniversary fund.

With regards to Old Business, there are no histories being rewritten, nor anniversaries being planned on behalf of the Commission nor artifacts being in the process of purchase to report on. The Chair has assisted Melvin Montemerlo, PhD with the compilation of several historical-themed postings on Facebook which the public has enjoyed including one on the late James D. Outerson (former Town Clerk). The Chair, after speaking with William Fournier, reported that Bill spoke with school officials and Heritage Week projects will be pursued by students on a smaller scale again this May/on a larger fuller scale in May, 2024.

In terms of New Business, the Chair identified no written history pursuits or artifacts to acquire. This November, 2023 will be the 50th anniversary of the death of Miss Gladys H. Reed, donor of the Reed farm property and he noted that the anniversary be honored.

In terms of Public Input, the Chair related delight in the reading of the 2021 book, *The Ride of Her Life* by New York Times bestselling author Elizabeth Letts which chronicles the cross country horse ride of Mrs. Annie Wilkins from Maine to California (1954-1956) which included a welcome to town by the late Chester Reed here, a visit to the Chester Reed Farm and her horse stabled overnight in the brick barn here. There was no additional Public Input.

The Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm with a motion of Chet, second by Bob; all agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mickey Danyluk, Chairman

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