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## TOWN OF WINDSOR LOCKS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

### Meeting MINUTES: Tuesday, June 15, 2021

A regular meeting of the Historical Commission was held on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at the Reed House with observance of Covid protocols. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Danyluk at 6:30 pm and followed an Agenda posted days prior in the Town Clerk's Office. The following commissioners were attending: Mickey Danyluk, Chester Pohorylo, James Roche Jr., Robert Pearce. There were no other attendees, hence no Public Input offered. The Minutes of the previous meeting of April 20, 2021 were accepted with a motion of Jim Roche and second of Rob Pearce; all agreed. A Financial Report was not readily available however Mickey met with Mandi Moore the Town's fiscal manager to secure reimbursement of \$65 (approved at last meeting) and all spending was within limits. The fiscal year closes in 15 days. In terms of Old Business, there are no histories in process except for Mickey's column presented weekly in The Windsor Locks Journal Weekly; no anniversaries being honored or artifacts being sought at the present. In terms of New Business, there are no histories being written nor anniversaries to honor or artifacts to acquire except for possibly the 2<sup>nd</sup> grindstone from the 18<sup>th</sup> c Dexter-Haskell grist mill under the porch at 27 Elm St which Jim Roche is trying to secure. Jim provided an update on the brick barn repairs; bids are expected to be received by June 22<sup>nd</sup> with a cost overrun because the plans are 3 yrs old. Jim explained that \$200,000 was received via a LOCI Grant for work on the barn but does not include exterior repointing for which he will seek another \$200,000 from the Town. The northeast corner at the barn's base was apparently struck and needs to be reconstructed ASAP. Jim explained that Fuss & O'Neill, the Town's engineering service has drafted plans for a display area at the canal park picnic area to include the Ferry Anchor Rock, the 1921 bridge sign and the 18<sup>th</sup> c grindstone(s) from the Old Grist Mill. The cost for the display is \$2,800 of which TIF monies are being considered. New concrete sidewalks have been laid the past week north of the Reed driveway entrance and includes a walk to the north side sliding door of the brick barn. There was no Public Input offered for the 2<sup>nd</sup> call during the meeting. Discussion flowed to include the possibility of housing a petting zoo in the garage at Noden-Reed and holding a public hearing to gauge interest and support; the chickens now at the rear of the garage cared for by Lori Quagliaroli and Lacinda Van Geison will be removed at the end of the month. A motion was made by Jim and a second by Chet to adjourn having discussed the business at hand. All agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm. The next regular scheduled meeting of the Commission is Tuesday, November 17, 2021.

Respectfully submitted, Mickey Danyluk, Commission Chair.

