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Meeting Minutes

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DEPT./BOARD: Historical Commission

DATE: October 18, 2023

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Grandview Meeting Room

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Joyce Fay, Mary Nohelty, Kathi Horton, Sandy

Coveno, Peter Coppola, Andrew Rittenburg, Wayne Higden, and guests: Paul

Sagarino and Chief of Police, T. Browne.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORTS – Read and Accepted 5-0-0

PAUL SAGARINO – Discussed The Union School and its future. Explained that there was no town land suitable for a new Police Station. A study showed that the best place to rebuild the police station would be its current location. The Sculpture Park land would become a parking lot.

POLICE CHIEF BROWNE – Invited the Commission to do a walk through the station. This 125 year old building has problems, including mildew and leaky windows. Some employees and officers felt unwell being in the building.

JOYCE FAY - The State of Massachusetts will require a two week delay with a 6 month hold on the property when permit is pulled for destruction of this historical property.

SHED - This will all have to go before the Planning Board as shed is a non-conforming use. Shawsheen rep will give a price and opinion of the 20 x 40 foundation.





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WEST SCHOOL – Recently painted and looks fine. Museum was open on Halloween from 5 to 8 pm.

THIRD GRADERS FIELD TRIP - The Museum, the West School and Francis Wyman House were open on November 1. The respective teachers of the third graders are trying a new system for educating the students about the properties.

MUSEUM - Pod is available for storage. We will definitely need help moving heavy pieces from the Museum to the Pod. Andy Rittenburg will continue to catalog and feels that perhaps a graduate student could help with a spreadsheet.

225 CELEBRATION - Kathi Horton is in contact with Salem Trolley for a town tour in August from 2 to 4pm...probably touring the Congregational Church, Grandview Farm, Francis Wyman House, West School and Hens and Chickens House.

Peter Coppola talked about the possibility of hosting an impersonation of Burlington's famous Salmon Dinner when Hancock and Adams left Lexington to escape the British and came to Burlington.

We will discuss the Burlington Homes Booklet design, and printing a calendar for Burlington resident at our November meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED – 9:15 pm

