

FINAL

CANDIA HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES

TUESDAY, June 11, 2019

SMYTH MEMORIAL BUILDING, 7PM

Present: Diane Philbrick, Betty Sabean, Carmelle Druchniak, Carol Howe, Lorraine Briand, Brien Brock

Absent: Ray Cresswell

Meet at Beane Island Cemetery

The group met at the cemetery before the meeting, and briefly explored and discussed this area of town as the focus of its next walking tour/brochure project.

Opening Pledge of Allegiance and Approval of May Minutes

Minutes from the commission's May meeting were approved

Cemetery Work

California resident Judith Fleenor contacted Diane. She had visited Candia in 2017 to learn more about her ancestors Isaiah Rowe and Frederick Smyth, former governor of NH. She contacted Diane about Memorial Day flags on her ancestors' graves at the Hill Cemetery. One was missing, Diane added it and notified Cemetery Trustee Holly Haas to add this name to her list. Diane remarked on the excellence of cemetery upkeep, challenged this year by a downed tree at the Hill the week of Memorial Day. The 4th grade visited the East Candia cemetery on its history tour of the town.

On a related topic...Carmelle will ask North Road resident Dave Depuy how the gravestones in the cemetery are cleaned and maintained.

Library History

Work on the history continues. Carmelle will use info collected by Diane from Library Director Heidi Deacon and other additional info as collected by Betty.

Other Business

- Diane Philbrick was among those who provided Moore School 4th graders with a tour of Candia June 4. It included stops at various locations and spotlighted local history.
- Officers Selected - Members agreed that Diane Philbrick will continue as chair, Betty Sabean as vice-chair and Carmelle Druchniak as secretary
- Several members attended the Board of Selectmen meeting the evening before (June 10) to provide an update on recent activities.

- There has been no designated date for the installation of the Hill sign by road agent Dennis Lewis.
- The Boy Scouts' renovation of the cabin in Moore Park – the Commission will reach out and ask how we might help the project.

The next meeting of the Candia Heritage Commission is set for Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the Smyth Memorial Building.

Respectfully submitted by Carmelle Druchniak