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## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

April 4, 2018

Fairhaven Fire Department meeting room 146 Washington Street Fairhaven, MA 02719

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm. In attendance were Chairman Wayne Oliveira, Gary Lavalette, Anne O'Brien, Gail Isaksen and Vicki Paquette.

#### **MINUTES**

Ms. O'Brien made a motion to accept the minutes of March 7,2018. Mr. Lavalette seconded. Vote was unanimous.

# **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Chairman Oliveira read the financial report.

#### **ACADEMY BUILDING**

Chairman Oliveira informed the commission he was still waiting to hear back from Clearwater architects. Mr. Oliveira will email them again to find out more information. Mr. Lavalette stated that the railing on the front steps is starting to break. Ms. Isaksen will ask one of the welders at Fairhaven Shipyard to fix it. The electrical box is done and the track lighting on the second floor will be fixed soon.

### **FIRE MUSEUM**

Mr. Oliveira reported that the commission is still waiting for the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) funds to be approved for the gutters. He would like to get some painting done once the weather breaks.

#### **FORT PHOENIX**

Mr. Oliveira and Mr. Lavalette met with G. Bourne Knowles regarding the bunker. Mr. Knowles feels it may be difficult to get the bunker water proof. Mr. Knowles feels September is a good time to start the bunker because the weather is better for growing new grass and there is not as much activity at the Fort. There is a lot of erosion along the wall.

Mr. Oliveira spoke to Mr. Rees regarding the parapet/bunker project. Mr. Rees said the Commission could pursue the lowest bid since this project has already gone to bid twice.

Mr. Oliveira told the Board that Eagle Scout Jake Riggs from Troop 52 will paint the cannons as his Eagle Scout project. Mr. Lavalette will coordinate with Mr. Riggs.

Mr. Lavalette informed the Board that he found a company that makes cannon wheels. The Wheels are 42" in diameter and 2" wide. The wheels are made by the Amish out of hickory wood. The cost would be \$909 for all four wheels including shipping. Ms. Isaksen made a motion to approve Mr. Lavallette t purchase the wheels for the cannons, not too exceed \$1000. Ms. O'Brien seconded. Vote was unanimous.

## **OLD STONE SCHOOL HOUSE**

Mr. Oliveira reported that the commission is still waiting for the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) funds to be approved for the roof.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

The Board recognized long time Historical Commission Cynnie McNaughten's passing last month. Members recounted stories of Cynnie and how knowledgeable she was and how much she will be missed.

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:58 pm by Ms. Paquette. Seconded by Ms. O' Brien. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Paquette
Fairhaven Historical Commission
(Approved on 7/11/2016)