

**FHC Meeting Minutes 8/11/2016**

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Members present: Mary Brown, Travis Bowie, Paul Denault, Jackie Petrouski

Minutes from the last meeting which was held on April 14, 2016 were read by the secretary and approved by the members.

**Correspondence Review**

Regarding King Philip's Cave - Letter dated July 2016 from Simeone's attorney stating that they will give 1 acre of land, the cave and the use of the property for parking. A gate similar to the gate in the Freetown State Forest will be used.

Mass DOT letter regarding resurfacing of Route 24 – it was agreed there would be no damage to abutting land; they are not widening the road.

**Old Business**

- 1) Schoolhouse status – The balance of \$2507.71 in the Village School Project Account will go to the repair of 4 of the schoolhouse windows. We are waiting for the state money.
- 2) South Main Street Cemetery - After a meeting with the Cemetery Commission it was determined that the sign posted at the cemetery will be changed from Plummer to Hathaway though the time frame for the change is not known.
- 3) Status of the South Main Street Bridge – Mass Historic will be contacted to ensure the work is done properly without impact to the bridges' historic nature.
- 4) Painting of the exterior of the Town hall will begin in the near future.

**New Business**

- 1) Town Hall Building Committee met for the first time. The large all inclusive building was denied. There were a good number of people interested in saving the historic town buildings. Each group affected, police, council on aging, library etc. will have a chance at a future meeting to state what they're looking for.
- 2) Historic New England- The membership has expired but Mary is still receiving the emails and will forward them to the members.
- 3) Hathaway Park flagpole – a flag pole has been donated and we should discuss where it should be placed.
- 4) King Philips cave update - A letter dating from 1974 from Simeone to the town was found. It contained an offering of 1 acre of land with King Philips Cave.  
We would like to eventually get King Philips Cave on the National Register

Next meeting in Sept 8, 2016.