

# WILTON HERITAGE COMMISSION

## MINUTES FOR JAN. 28, 2014

The meeting was called to order on Jan. 28, 2014 at 7 p.m. at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library. Present were Stanley Young, Michael Dell'Orto, David Potter, and Nancy Clark. Joe Broyles was also in attendance.

The December minutes were read and approved. The Treasurer reported that \$530 had been paid out for two signs, one for the Unitarian Church and the other for Andy's Playhouse, formerly the Town House.

Sites for future signs were discussed. A permanent display kiosk of Winter Carnival pictures and text at Carnival Hill was suggested as well as an information kiosk at Lot 48 that would cover the mills and the fires. Three cemeteries have yet to receive signs – South Yard, Laurel Hill, and Mt. Calvary. Signs were also proposed for Pead Hill and the Library.

Michael has interviewed Stanley for the Oral History Project as a way of getting up to speed technically and in terms of perfecting interviewing techniques. They came up with half an hour of footage as Stanley recalled growing up in Wilton and also covered his going away and coming back. Jean Vincent will be the next interview subject.

Commission members have been given the text-in-progress for the Historical Markers Map & Tour to look over. David is going to run the text by the printer to see whether the material will fit the space the format allows.

Stanley reported he has submitted the text for the Heritage Commission's write-up for the Town Report.

Stanley was invited by the school Superintendent to attend a discussion of the elementary school's proposed renovation project. An old addition will be removed, exposing the original façade of the building. A new addition will be attached elsewhere. From the Heritage Commission's point of view, the restoration of the school's original look would be a good thing.

Joe Broyles, speaking as an interested private citizen, summarized the current status of the Frye Farm land purchase and the Conservation Commission's interest in the matter. Preserving open spaces is one of the interests of the Heritage Commission although there is more to be learned about the details of the purchase and the justification for the amount of money being requested toward the purchase on an upcoming Warrant Article.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Clark, Secretary