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Meeting: FEBRUARY 19, 2019 - Pauline Teixeira presiding

Officers In attendance: Robert Hall, Scott Harding and D. Eric Whitlock

Motion to open Meeting at 7:00pm: by Robert Hall, seconded: D. Eric Whitlock

A motion to accept the November 13, 2018 meeting: Scott Harding, seconded: Robert Hall

Guests: Norma York and Marie Gonsalves

This Meeting is being both video and audio taped.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Repairs and painting at the Museum still have to be finished and come Spring a lift machine will be rented to complete the project.
2. Existing wooden windows at the Museum can't be replaced with aluminum/vinyl and have to be replaced with kind. Exterior storm windows "can be" replaced with vinyl, but whatever is wooden has to remain as such. Prices for these storm window replacements will be researched later on this Spring .
3. Regarding the Perry Hill Church bell; Eric Whitlock stated that after looking at possible replacement bell cranks, if the missing piece(s) can be found in the bell tower it would be easier and less costly to have those CI pieces welded on to what is already on the bell. Scott Harding stated that he does in fact have a small piece that we can use for matching. Sometime this Spring both additional photos and measurments will have to be taken as well as lubrication applied to the bell shafts for future use if/when this bell is to be used.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. No yard sale will be conducted this year as a means to acquire future fundings.
2. As a means to hopefully acquire funding for our projects Eric had suggested at a previous meeting that possibly we could create a Town calendar and to this end he donated a photo of the original Post Office, originally located at the Acushnet/New Bedford town line. Pauline has taken many pictures of Town buildings with the thought to use the best ones for a 2020 calendar.
3. Is there some way that the PHC and the MH have some type of external lighting established on them to be illuminated for the general public to view? Both the PHC and MH window lighting was quite a visual display this past holiday season. If not AC powered but with solar power, as it is very economical at this point in time?

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Norma York, a guest, suggested that possibly the Town Annual parade not end at the Country Whip location as it presently does but to continue on to the Meeting House property where there is the possibility of having an antique tractor display held at that location not to make a profit but to have a showing for both town and out of town viewers. Further research will go into this idea.
2. A great deal of research has already gone into a town Historical Building Inventory with more time and effort needed. More buildings will have to be looked into to add to the data base.

Motion to Adjourn: Scott Harding, 2nd: Eric Whitlock

Meeting Adjourned: 7:52pm

Next Meeting: March 12, 2019

Recording Secretary: D. Eric Whitlock