The Historical Commission
Littleton, Massachusetts
The LHC was established by Town Meeting in 1979. The LHC has the powers and responsibilities specified by Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40, Section 8D.

Call to order by Andrew W. At 6:58pm

Administrative: Bills, Mail, Member Updates & Public Input, Minutes:
1 letter received, actually for Historical Society. July Minutes will be reviewed September.

Survey of Historical/Cultural Resources Project: Planning and Compilation of Initial List of Priority Structures and Landscapes in Town:
Jenn Dougherty, Survey Consultant, would like to meet in September, and have the committee in the meantime go over and select priorities for the town.

Planning board has the authority to create scenic roads, the 2017 Master Plan has identified the LHC to possibly designate additional scenic roads.

Reviewing MACRIS list of historic homes as a from the previous survey.

Reviewing houses that were reviewed previously, and a second list of houses that were not gotten to in the prior review. Pay more attention to properties with scant details around the Commons area, Andrew W. Doesn't believe we need to be reviewing districts, roads, landscapes, and should focus more on properties.

What is a historical district (in theory) and how can we have multiple areas at different levels?

Three main areas:
Foster Street
Long Lake
The Commons

Side discussion on Parlee Lumber/Warren Mill going out of business and how to approach the owners about sale of the property and how we might work with them on preservation.

A review of reading sources for Jen in regards to Littleton for the survey.

260 Foster Street  (Martin Wood House): Updates Regarding Owner's Intent to Either Preserve or Demolish the Structure:
No plan in place for work on the house, keeping communication open.

12 Robinson Road: Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing on 7/20- Hearing Results and Collaboration with Owner to Preserve Structure:
Andrew W. Told the owner the LHC is in support of their renovations. Linda and Carolyn (HS) attended the hearing and told the ZBA that the LHC and HS support the plan put forth for this property, (which passed). Architect is keen on historical preservation, and is someone we should keep in touch with for future recommendations and projects.

Town Master Plan: Implementation of Historical Goals-Planning:
The common will be a large part of the discussion. Use the Historical society spreadsheet provided by Carolyn to make recommendation for items. Leveraging LHCs interests as common interests of the Master Plan Implementation Committee, and how we can help.
Jonathan will be visiting several boards as liaison. A large push to get boards to work together. How/who can the LHC collaborate with?

There was a general discussion of goals and initiatives for the LHC.

Possible ideas include: create a heritage landscape conservation program. It was also discussed that the Master Plan identified the LHC as the town body designate scenic roads, and if this is something that would be beneficial for the town.

**Porter Road Bridge- Condition Update & Restoration Planning:**
Andrew S. is still learning who owns the property.

**Revolutionary War Veteran Dr. Enoch Dole – Purple Heart Award Ceremony Planning:**
Ancillary groups would like to come to the meeting in September- potential for two meetings in September
Middlesex county volunteers, wounded warrior, sons of the American Rev.

**Long Store Building: Storage Trailer Condition Update:**
Jon, John and Andrew S. and Donna went to the site and applied some **flexseal** to the cracks in the roof and moved the tarp to increase ventilation.

**366 King Street:**
Recognition of good up keeping of homes, Ralph Priest

**Old Burial Ground Monument Conservation Project: Updates and Planning:**
Work is continuing, there was an open demo on Friday that Andrew S. Went to and watched them reset and clean head and foot stones.

**Historical Markers in Town: Planning for Inventory of Existing Markers:**
Henry Chrystal and Andrew S. have a list of about 20 sites that are GPS located/marked

**Planning to Improve Effectiveness of Existing Demolition Delay Bylaw:**
Andrew w. Would like to amend to an 18 month delay, and add a clause forbidding the owner from devaluing the property once they have applied.

Discussion of granting for upkeep of homes.

**Other Upcoming Town Board Meetings Dealing with Matters of Interest to the Commission: Review of Town Meeting Calendar**
Historical conference recommended by Carolyn
Sep. 6th next meeting,
Potential second meeting on September 13th
October 4th
November 8th
December 6th

**Adjourned** at 8:30