

**BROOKS ACADEMY MUSEUM COMMISSION
MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2015**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeremy Gingras, Chair
 Peggy Rose, Acting Clerk
 Sandra Hall
 Barry Knowles
 Patti Smith

OTHERS: Desiree Mobed, Executive Director, Harwich Historical Society
 Joan Maloney, Landmarks Committee Chair, Harwich Historical
 Society
 Charlotte Singer, President, Harwich Historical Society

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

II. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Patti Smith moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 20, 2014 as written; Jeremy Gingras seconded; motion carried unanimously. Ms. Hall and Mr. Knowles abstained as they were not present for the meeting.

III. Brooks Park Canon and Gristmill Wheel

Joan Maloney advised the Commission of the history of the canon and the gristmill wheel. The items were removed from their former Brooks Park location and are now being stored at the Highway Department. The society would like to move them and locate them on the grounds of Brooks Academy. She is asking that the Commission support such a request.

MOTION: Sandra Hall moved to approve the concept of relocating the gristmill wheel and the 1812 canon to the grounds of Brooks Academy Museum; Patti Smith seconded; motion carried unanimously.

IV. Event Approval

Executive Director Desiree Mobed presented the schedule of events taking place at the museum for 2015.

MOTION: Ms. Smith moved to approve the 2015 schedule of events for Brooks Academy Museum; Ms. Hall seconded; motion carried unanimously.

V. Crowell Barn Update

The Chair advised that the town will retain 10 percent of the appropriated funds contract which will be paid to the contractor when the barn is completed.

Volunteers may be used to shingle the barn.

The alarm company and electrician will be working when the barn is weather tight. He said the signal from the museum alarm system may be able to be used for the alarm in the barn.

VI. Crowell Barn Lease

It is estimated that the cost of the monthly electric bill for the barn will be \$75.00. It may be requested that the town be responsible for it.

VII. Adjourn

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Rose
Acting Clerk