

# Newington History – Agenda

August 9, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

Old Parsonage

## Historic District Commission Agenda

HDC Members	<p>Jo Haskell                      Alternate      (2023)</p> <p>John Lamson                    Member        (2024)</p> <p>Peggy Lamson                   Member        (2023)</p> <p>Mike Marconi                   Member        (2020)</p> <p>Katie Moody                    Alternate      (2023)</p> <p>Lulu Pickering                 Member        (2023)</p> <p>Kristen Poulin                 Alternate      (2023)</p> <p>Becky St. Germaine            Alternate      (2023)</p> <p>Alan Wilson                     Member        (2022)</p>
Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approve the July 12, 2021 minutes.</li> </ul>
1886 parsonage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next month’s HDC meeting will focus on the McEvoy’s proposal for the 1886 parsonage.</li> </ul>
Bonfire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Fall activity with the Newington Historical Society.</li> <li>• Set date, is this a December 2020 or January 2021 event?</li> <li>• Will Gilbert is in charge of the bonfire.</li> <li>• Everyone, please help collect pallets and add to the existing pile by the parsonage.</li> <li>• Peggy, can you work with Sue to get the event listed on the town calendar and the website news section, and also to ask people to collect pallets and add to the pile?</li> <li>• Kristen, will you take the lead on collaborating with the recreation committee and school kids?</li> <li>• Jo, do you want to look into possibilities for musical entertainment?</li> </ul>
1699 Parsonage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A joint activity with the Newington Historical Society.</li> <li>• Our building inspector Kevin Kelly is leaving the end of September and wants to get going on the HVAC and electrical work in the 1699 parsonage.</li> <li>• Walk around the building to discuss and mark locations for (1) new electrical outlets (inside and outside) and (2) two, maybe three, floor units for the mini split system.</li> <li>• The Historical Society has voted to expend money to purchase internal storm windows for the downstairs and to buy lamps and bulbs for lighting. The Historical Society will also be responsible for adding insulation to the fireplace flues.</li> </ul>
Old Parsonage Tavern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Fall activity with the Newington Historical Society.</li> <li>• If we get heat and electricity into the parsonage, do we want to schedule an open house that introduces the Old Tavern?</li> <li>• Set opening date in October?</li> <li>• Becky, do you want to take the lead on this?</li> </ul>
Town Wide Yard Sale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Fall activity with the Newington Historical Society.</li> <li>• Laura Coleman set the date – October 2<sup>nd</sup> – and is taking the lead on the yard sale.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She will coordinate with the town office to collect the registrations and money, to make the maps, and advertise the event.</li> <li>• Peggy, can you work with Sue to get the event listed on the town calendar and news section?</li> </ul>
Historic building maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John or Alan - will you please bring in a copy of the maintenance work on town buildings that the selectmen put into their 2020 budget as approved by the budget committee and town meeting?</li> </ul>
Old Stone School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A joint activity with the Newington Historical Society.</li> <li>• For two years running the HDC has asked the selectmen to scrape and paint the wooden trim on the OSS. Will and Lulu cleared away the bushes, vines, metal, trees, and poison ivy in front of the building to get ready for any painting. We still need to work our way around the sides and back.</li> <li>• The town has a capital reserve fund now called "Stone School Const./improvement. What does anyone know about it? Can it be used for the maintenance work? John, can you take the lead on this one so we can get an idea of what is going on?</li> <li>• Historic New England offers a program to help local historic societies on preservation efforts. Should the Historical Society become a sustaining member at \$500?</li> </ul>
Railroad depot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A joint activity with the Newington Historical Society.</li> <li>• Helen Frink is taking the lead on listing this building as one of the NH Preservation Alliance's "Seven to Save" for 2020.</li> <li>• She is also investigating possible railroad societies that may be interested in preserving railroad history and looking into other granting opportunities such as LCIP.</li> </ul>
Dirt piles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three huge piles of dirt were left in the historic district when the recreation committee installed new playground equipment behind the Old Town Hall and the library trustees built their new parking lot.</li> <li>• Discuss how the dirt piles could be used to (1) level the ground around the old stone school/parsonage, (2) to fill in the depressions in the memorial garden, or (3) to add loam to the southern division of the cemetery.</li> <li>• Is this a 2020 project or a 2021 project?</li> </ul>
Memorial garden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A joint activity with the Newington Historical Society.</li> <li>• Site walk around the memorial garden site by the horsesheds to discuss best use of the \$5,000 from the selectmen's budget for 2020 work.</li> <li>• Location of paths? Benches? Location of memorials? Educational displays? Brass plaques? Stone walls? Tree removal? Depression to be filled? Loam? Plantings?</li> <li>• Once we prioritize the possibilities, work can begin on the content for plaques and informational displays. Alan, do you have any updates on potential costs?</li> </ul>
Tree and brush removal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the status of the tree removal and brush removal to the transfer station around the southern division cemetery fence? The town crew is down to two people.</li> </ul>

Lulu Pickering  
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