**Berlin Historical Commission**

Berlin Town Hall, Selectmen’s Room

July 9, 2018, 7:30 PM

**Attending:**

Members of the Commission:

Barry Eager, Madeline McTague, June Miller and Richard Wheeler

Also attending: Piper Wysocki

Barry Eager announced that Elaine Wickstrom will accept appointment to the Berlin Historical Commission. Her appointment is expected to be approved this evening at the Board of Selectmen’s meeting. Elaine replaces Lee Tabor who served as a member of the Commission for many years and

also served as Clerk. We thank Lee for sharing his background in historic preservation as well as his

skills and expertise as a trained architect.

 **Bullard House**

Barry reported that he had recently accompanied current Building Commissioner Joseph Atchue on a

tour of the Bullard House to evaluate its condition and the proposed repairs by the building committee.

See copy of Mr. Atchue’s report to the Board of Selectmen dated July 6, 2018 filed with these minutes.

Richard Wheeler reported on progress for the proposed repairs to the Bullard House. He has requested

an estimate for the bathroom from Bud Haworth and will also ask Bud about edging the floor boards.

Richard also reported that Edith Brewer will soon receive a third bid for the kitchen cabinets.

**Memorial Hall**

Memorial Hall’s tin ceiling needs repair and repainting where rusting has occurred.

The walls have been painted yellow by the Berlin (1870) Town Hall’s janitor.

**Curatorial Storage Building**

Barry reported that funds for remaining building materials in the approximate amount of $10,000.00 will be encumbered before the fiscal year deadline. These materials will be delivered in the fall at which time students at Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School will work on the building’s completion. Electrical materials are estimated at a cost of $5,000.00 which may be covered by special account funding.

**Historical Collections**

Possible strategies for better storage of the town’s historical collections were discussed.

**Building Inventory**

Revisiting a prioritized list for updating already inventoried buildings and buildings not yet inventoried was discussed.

Richard Wheeler moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and all voted in favor.

Respectfully,

June Miller, Clerk Pro Tem