

# PERU HISTORICAL COMMISSION

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: Saturday, November 10, 2018, Noon– 1:00pm

Location: Peru Community Center, 3 E Main Rd, Peru, MA 01235

Attendees: Jim Kenney, Ed Munch and Richard Burke

1. Jim Kenney called the meeting to order at 12:00
2. Acknowledgement. This meeting was not recorded.
3. Minutes from the September 8 meeting were available but not signed off during the meeting since S. Masino, the only other participant in the meeting, was not in attendance. Minutes will be finalized off-line and provided to the Town Clerk for filing.
4. J. Kenney explained that the new town webpage, accessible at [townofperuma.com](http://townofperuma.com), is now available. Minutes from the 2016, 2017 and 2018 meetings, along with information and photographs from the Commission's field trips to the Ford Mansion and Sarah Ferguson memorial marker and scanned documents relating to the August 1942 US Army Transport Plane crash have been provided to the BoS for inclusion on the webpage
5. Update on Historical Commission membership – J. Kenney welcomed Richard Burke as the newest member of the Peru Historical Commission. One additional position remains to be filled to address the increase in membership to five, as requested by the BoS.
6. Update regarding the change of location for future Historical Commission meetings – J. Kenney explained that while handicap access is under consideration at the Town Library, the lack of public toilet facilities there will cause these Peru Historical Commission Meetings to remain at the Peru Community Center.
7. Review of S. Masino's letter in support of the DCR grant for Historical Commission support – deferred to a future meeting
8. Planning for January 12, 2019 Historical Commission meeting: This meeting is being rescheduled for January 19 and will be held at the Berkshire Athenaeum, Pittsfield's Public Library at 1 Wendell Ave in

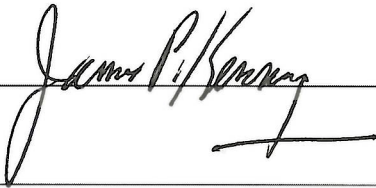
Pittsfield, MA. The focus of the meeting will be to meet with the Athenaeum Local History and Reference staff to become familiarized with Town of Peru-related information available

9. Any Other Business: A suggestion for further consideration around the celebration of the Town's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary is to develop a tour of historical town locations which could be mapped on paper and marker by new signs. The locations could include cellar holes, home of famous residents and the town cemeteries, etc. A funding request could be considered as part of the 2019 Annual Town Meeting.

10. Meeting adjourned at 12:59pm.

11. Minutes drafted by J. Kenney

James Kenney, Chairman



Susan Masino, Member

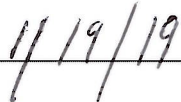
Ed Munch, Member



Richard Burke, Member



Approved:



Appendix:

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