



# HISTORICAL COMMISSION

## Town of Chilmark

### **MEETING NOTES - APPROVED**

**October 3, 2022 (via ZOOM)**

Present for the Historical Commission and attending the Zoom meeting were Barbara Armstrong - Chair, James (Jim) Malkin, Jane Slater, John Flender, and Alison Kisselgof – Administrator.

Lenny Jason and Steve McGhee were not in attendance.

The meeting came to order at 3:00 PM.

**CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF RASMUS KLIMM ITEMS:** Barbara spoke with Fire Chief Jeremy Bradshaw & Tri-Town Ambulance Chief Ben Retmier about displaying donated Rasmus Klimm items in the new Fire House and EMS Buildings. Jeremy enthusiastically offered to place all items in the Fire House. Ben was also interested in specific donated items for the EMS Building. Barbara mentioned the Klimm family had contacted the Martha's Vineyard Museum about donating the items as well and were waiting to hear from both parties before deciding where to send donations.

Alison offered that she spoke with Town Administrator Tim Carroll about the donations. Tim suggested asking the Harbormaster Ryan Rossi if any of the items could be placed in the Menemsha Harbormaster Building. Alison spoke with Ryan and he is also happy to accept some of the donations for display.

Jane was concerned that the Harbormaster building would be too accessible but Ryan has told her that the building is locked in the evenings.

Barbara asked if the Commission would like to write a letter to the Klimm family accepting the donations.

Jane made a motion to accept the donations and write a letter to the Klimm family. Jim seconded the motion. Vote = Slater – aye, Malkin – aye, Armstrong – aye, Flender - aye. PASSED

Barbara asked Alison to draft the letter.

**RECENT ANTIQUE ITEM ACQUISITION:** Jane had purchased a Chilmark Grange silk ribbon in pristine condition and wondered if the Commission would like to purchase the item from her to add to the historic collection. Jane offered that the Chilmark Grange was an important part of the town about 100 years ago and the town's collection already contains some memorabilia from the historic society. Jane paid \$125 for the item.

John made a motion to purchase the item from Jane for the amount she paid and add it to the town's historic collection. Barbara seconded the motion. Jane recused herself from the vote. Vote = Malkin – aye, Armstrong – aye, Flender - aye. PASSED

Jim suggested that the letter regarding reimbursement for the item should mention the amount is the same as what it was purchased for.



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**UPDATE ON MYRON VINCENT BARN DRAWING:** Jane said that she still needs to contact the family regarding documenting the barn drawing.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Jim made a motion to accept the minutes from the 9/12/22 meeting as presented and Barbara seconded. Vote = Slater – aye, Malkin – aye, Armstrong – aye, Flender – aye. PASSED

**OTHER TOPICS:** None

**DOCUMENTS:**

9/12/22 Meeting Draft Minutes

Chilmark Grange silk ribbon

**NEXT POSSIBLE MEETING:** October TBD

With no further business to conduct the meeting adjourned at 3:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Alison Kisselgof, Board Administrator.