



**TOWN OF BECKET  
HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
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**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, September 8, 2020

**Meeting Time:** 3:00 PM

**Meeting Place:** Berkshire Room, Becket Town Hall

## Agenda

Due to COVID-19, the Town Hall remains closed to the public and members of the public are only allowed to attend meetings remotely for this public meeting. This meeting may be accessed by dialing in using the following information:

**Dial-In Number** 1-712-770-8097 **Conference Number** 666070

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1. Call to order
2. Approval of Minutes – August, 2020; approval of edited Minutes for February and June, 2020 re: addition of John Garvey, Secretary Pro Tem
3. Treasurer’s Report –
4. Communications
  - a. Old-
    - i. Query re: Amanda Barnes Smith - Gail
    - ii. Query re: Helen Lyons, researching her Lydia Baird/Stedman families, looking for proof that Martha Amelia Stedman is Lydia’s daughter – Sandi
    - iii. Query: Geoff Lincoln regarding Silas Lincoln and Hannah (Luce)Lincoln who lived in Becket MA in the 1700s. – Sandi
    - iv. John Hanson presentation postponed to 2021
  - b. New-

- i. Town notifications
- 5. New Business
- 6. Old Business
  - a. Signage for Ballou Park and Parade Ground,
    - i. Replacements-John
  - b. Pole flags-Rita
  - c. "Historical Facts" link on the Historical Commission's page on the town webpage-  
Sandi
    - 1. Bidwell/Ballou Parks
    - 2. Seminary Hall
    - 3. 21 Maple Street
    - 4. Pound
    - 5. Brewster House
    - 6. Silk Ruins
    - 7. Becket Athenaeum
    - 8. Federated Church
    - 9. First Church
    - 10. Town Halls
    - 11. Cemeteries – Center/North/West
    - 12. Mullen House
    - 13. Higley Apothecary
    - 14. Parade Ground
  - d. Pole flags-Rita
  - e. Art Center 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary presentation-posted on Becket Arts Center site -  
Sandi
  - f. Photos of Seth Snow House, interior and exterior - Sandi
  - g. Portrait of Helen Day Flynn (Age 16) of Becket, MA 1911-1999
  - h. Office organization
  - i. New members

- j. Goal – Preserve and publicize Becket’s historical structures
    - i. Becket history awareness
    - ii. Becket Historical Commission actions
  - k. Plan of Action
    - i. 21 Maple Street plaque dedication
    - ii. Photo Documentation historic buildings
    - iii. Becket Bulletin
7. Next meeting – October 13 at 3:00 PM