



**Emery Estate Advisory Board  
Record of Minutes and Proceedings**

**August 17, 2023 / 3:30pm  
Town Hall  
Weymouth, MA**

**Attendees:** Leilani Dalpe  
Jane Kudcey, Board Chair  
Rose Mary Mitchell  
Jennifer Weiss Donovan, Board Secretary

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 3:33pm by J.Kudcey, Board Chairman.

**Meeting Minutes:**

Meeting Minutes #3 (May 2023) were reviewed, motion to approve by LDalpe, seconded by RMitchell, so approved.

**Old Business:**

1. Summer outdoor concert series at Emery Estate: August 16 event was rained out, Historical Society Special Exhibition inside the house to be rescheduled (Historical Society anticipates a Veterans Day Event).
2. Paranormal events: many dates have been discussed for Halloween tours with consideration of personnel schedule conflicts; equipment purchase was discussed as New Business; tour events provide revenue to reinvest and support Emery Estate.
3. Grant Follow Up: previously the Travel & Tourism Grant was discussed, however LDalpe reported that due to some staffing changes at the Governor's Office level, there have been some delays on grant awards. More information forthcoming.

**New Business:**

1. JKudcey noted that each Board Members must complete requisite Ethics Certification, she will distribute the link via email.
2. Discussion of social events continued with the intent of bringing awareness of the Emery Estate and all it has to offer, to the Town. The EAB previously brainstormed ideas to engage all age groups and interest groups throughout the year, mindful not to infringe on other Town events. The meeting this month focused on tentative logistics of Halloween weekends in October for children, teens and adults, and holiday tea events, tentatively December 29 & 30.
  - Additional events discussed include train club display, quilting bee, paint nights, artist displays, photography show openings; additional outreach to be done.

3. Related to Old Business/Paranormal Events, it is recognized that the tour leaders (CParrish and RSmith) are not always able to attend/lead every scheduled event; as such the proposal was made to use some of the tour revenue to purchase investigatory equipment that will remain at the Estate for guest use. CParrish provided a list of suggested items to LDalpe for EAB consideration. LDalpe will coordinate with CParrish to pare down the list to basics and re-present to EAB. However, the EAB did approve pursuing purchase of this equipment (~\$1500) and will formally vote when final costs are presented.
  - LDalpe made a motion to for the Emery Advisory Board to approve a future equipment purchase upon receipt of revised pricing list, seconded by RMitchell, and so voted unanimously.
4. Estate Photos: It was noted previously that Frank Grace, photographer, has been taking photographs of the Estate, however a new idea to create a photo book with Emery Estate history is being explored for future sale.

**Announcements:**

None

**Next Meeting:**

A motion was made by J.Kudcey for next meeting of the Emery Estate Advisory Committee be held at Weymouth Town Hall on September 21, 2023 at 3:30pm. The motion was seconded by L.Dalpe, and so voted unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:28pm with a motion by LDalpe, second by RMitchell.

  
Jane Kudcey, Chairman

9/22/23  
Date