June 25, 2012

Greetings,

The next meeting of the Society will be held on Monday, July 9th, at 6:30 PM at the Barn Museum on the Hopkinton Fairgrounds.

One item to be voted on is a correction to the bylaws recommended by the attorney who reviewed them for us. After reading through them, his only suggestion was to remove the reference to "Roberts Rules of Order". His reasoning for this was that they do not necessarily serve the best interests of groups and in many cases are used against the will of the group or organization.

The vote will be to remove Article XII in its entirety.

~~Article XII.   Parliamentary Authority~~

~~The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised Edition, shall govern the Society~~

~~in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the~~

~~by-laws.~~

This will finish up work on the bylaws and they can be submitted to the Secretary of State's office for review and become part of our file there.

The group spent the weekend of June 23-24 at Tom Prescott's open house for his new museum which contains a twelve passenger Abbot-Downing Concord Coach and other artifacts from Concord's past. In addition to the coach, there is a beautifully restored E. Howard & Co. street tower clock which in addition to being beautiful in looks, keep excellent time.

We took our coach number XIV on the new trailer and set up a display that in addition to the coach had many posters showing our activities and progress on Concord's new Abbot-Downing School. We also had several photo albums that Dottie Brown brought. We had a good selection of gift shop items and the raffle items as well. A good time was had by all. We want to thank Tom for being a generous host and inviting us to be a part of his event.

We will be taking our coach to the Amesbury Carriage Festival next weekend, June 30-July1. Join us there, it sounds like a good time. Call Brian Erickson for more information.

We hope to see you in two weeks on the 9th at the barn.

David Lamb & Chance Anderson who restored the coach body in 1987

Interior of Tom Prescott's "Museum" showing the twelve pasenger coach and the E. Howard & Co clock

ADHS Display at Tom Prescott's Open House

Our Coach on the new trailer loaded and ready to go