

**Middlesex Canal Commission  
Billerica Section  
January 15, 2025  
Minutes**

Members Present: Richard Hawes, Alec Ingraham, Shayne Reardon, Debra Fox

Visitor: Andrew Jennings

The meeting was opened at 3:15 P.M.

Minutes were read and approved.

Moved by Dick; Seconded by Shayne, unanimous

Treasurer's Report: No changes since November of 2024.

Moved by Dick; seconded by Shayne, unanimous

Annual Report: Submitted for comments by the Billerica Section. Corrected: All members were reappointed in 2024 for a three-year term and were sworn in by July 2024.

Moved by Dick; seconded by Shayne, unanimous as amended

1. Lowell Street: Closed down for the winter.
2. High Street: Still no luck in hiring a landscaper/maintenance team. Marlies Henderson supervised the fall clean-up. Continuing discussion of moving the monument to Rogers Street site. Probably too costly.
3. Museum telephone was not working but Alec got Verizon to fix it. Outside water issue caused problem.
4. New Museum: Dick reported that the work has been stopped for a few months. The bridge has been delivered in pieces. The HVAC is completed inside. The galvanized steel cage to house the exterior mechanism has not been delivered. The elevator has not arrived but is expected soon.
5. Talbot Mill Dam: Discussion within the Town is ongoing. A fish ladder has been suggested but dam owner, Bill Martin, wants his liability to end, since no one else will take responsibility for the dam, he is pushing to have it demolished.

Andrew Jennings updated the members on the progress of the Bike Trails. The part from Bedford to Billerica will soon be out to bid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Next meeting: March 12, 2025 at 3:00 P.M.

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