Summary of Proposed Changes to Sudbury Historical Society Bylaws (Approved by the Board of Trustees on May 10, 2016)

Article 1 Section 2 (Logo)

Reference to a specific logo has been omitted to allow for flexibility.

Article 2 (Mission)

The mission statement has been changed to more accurately reflect the goals and work of the Society today and going forward.

Article 5 (Board of Trustees)

Section 1 (c)

Language was added regarding Board approval of the budget and to allow the Board to appoint an investment advisor. Previous language regarding the role of the curator/archivist has been moved to Article 9 Section 3.

Section 2

Total number of Board members was changed from 14 to a range (12-18) to allow for flexibility.

Article 7 (Duties of Officers)

Duties were clarified and modified to reflect changes in filing requirements and committee responsibilities.

Article 8 (Committees)

This new article provides the Board with the ability to create committees on an as needed basis and outlines the specific duties of the Executive and Advisory Committees.

Article 9 (Non-Board Positions)

This new article provides the Board with the ability to hire staff for the Society and outlines the responsibilities of the current positions of Executive Director and Curator/Archivist. Language regarding the position of Curator/Archivist was updated (previously in Article 5 Section 1 (c)) to more clearly reflect the industry definitions.

Article 14 (Code of Ethics – previously Article 13)

This article was modified to more clearly define the code of ethics and the manner in which violations will be addressed.

Additional changes:

- Language was edited to fix errors, create a better flow, and for purposes of clarification.
- Language regarding correspondence and publication was updated to reflect technological changes.
- Required number of members present for Bylaws amendments (Article 10 (b)) and to withdraw the principal of an endowment fund was increased from 21 to 40 to reflect Society growth.