



Chelmsford Historical Commission (CHC)

May 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present: Deb Taverna - Chairman, Bill Nolan, Vice-Chair, Fred Merriam, Linda Prescott, Brian Stripp, Will Arvidson, James Geraghty

Ms. Taverna called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Public Comment: None

Pre-Demolition Requests:

3 Marshall St. - The Commission reviewed the inventory and moved to approve the demolition of this building with one abstention.

47 Boston Rd. - Mr. Harvey wants to convert this house to a two family and build a new house in the back lot. This was declined by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

29 Gorham St. - Did not attend.

Façade Program: No report.

Calls, emails and letters:

Milli Greenhalgh of Bridge St. has requested an Historic District sign. Mr. Merriam received an email from Charlene Parlee regarding the solar panels on the barn at 11 Maple Road. When the Commission met with her about panels, we requested that panels be placed on the back side of the barn roof only.

Minute Approval: None.

Budget Review:

\$650.00 remains in the budget for salary and \$1150.70 in budget.

Old Business:

Toll House Update: None.

House Signs: Mr. Stripp has discussed the house sign procedures with Mr. Nolan.

Historic District Update: Traveling Rhino is being rehabbed. Photographer moving in upstairs.

Vinal Square Strategic Revitalization Plan: None.

Planning Board – Historical Preservation Zoning Changes: The Commission will continue discussions with Ms. Araway from the Planning Board at the next meeting.

Proposed Route 40 Zoning Changes: There will be a presentation to the Planning Board in June.

Forefathers Tours with Library: This is now called the Chelmsford Connection. The fifth graders from Parker will visit the first week in June.

Other Business

- Need to hire a new recording secretary

June 11, 2019 Agenda Established.

Commission should hold ceremony about the North Town Hall (now the Chelmsford Community Center) being on the National Register of Historic Places. We should work with the Vinal Square Committee. Ms. Taverna will send LesMasiers Quarry at thank you note complimenting the sign.

Mr. Stripp moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

All documents referred to herein are on file with the CHC.

Deb Taverna