



Chelmsford Historical Commission (CHC)

Virtual Meeting, online due to Covid-19

January 12, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Present: Deb Taverna - Chairman, Fred Merriam, Linda Prescott, Brian Stripp, Will Arvidson. Guest: Nancy Araway

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

2021-02-11

1. Public Input: None

8:21 AM

2. Pre-Demolition Requests:None

TOWN OF CHELMSFORD

PATRICIA E. DZURIS

3. House Signs, National Register Signs, District House Signs

TOWN CLERK

Mr. Stripp noted that the 2 signs for 243 Westford Street (The Edward Spaulding House) and 42 Grove Street (The Major W. Boulter House) were in and was waiting for information to deliver them. There was some discussion re: having signs for the homes that will be inventoried. At the moment Mr. Stripp believed there were some blank signs but that there would need to be more.

4. Emails, telephone calls, letters

Mr. Merriam noted that he had received an email from John Langler re: the correct spelling of Stedman (Steadman) Street. Mr. Merriam reported that Mr. Langler had submitted 61 pages of research stating there should be no "a" in Stedman. Mr. Merriam noted that the matter was being sent to town hall.

5. Historic Preservation-What Can We Do?

Ms. Taverna asked if there were any new ideas? Ms. Prescott asked if there was some type of Zoom presentation. Ms. Araway asked about a Facebook page, -it was noted that Tom Christiano tends to put things on many different pages. Discussion re: the possibility of "Throwback Thursday" pictures of historic home with a little write up.

Mr. Arvidson asked about putting together a brochure. He will draft a brochure to be given to realtors and town hall-explaining the benefits of and older home and other pertinent information. Mr. Merriam also noted that there is a Fun Facts section on the Historical Society's website.

6. Inventory List and Website

Ms. Taverna noted that the list was ready.

7. Approval of Minutes-

Ms. Taverna had sent some corrections to the December 8th meeting, Mr. Merriam noted that it was Mr. Boyle not Boyd.

MOTION: Mr. Stripp moved to accept the minutes of December 8, 2020 as amended, seconded by Mr. Merriam and **so voted.**

8. Set Agenda for February 9, 2021

Include the budget

MOTION: Mr. Stripp moved to adjourn the meeting seconded by Ms. Prescott and so voted.

Ms. Taverna closed the meeting at 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Judy A. Metz, Clerk