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Minutes

Regular Meeting Wednesday August 14, 2019 4th Floor Conference Room

Members Present: Peg Corbosiero, Jay McCronon, Gerry Harrington, Lois, Mary

Harrington, by remote participation for geographical reasons

Members Absent: Corey Bohan, Don O'Neil, Lois Abare

Others Present: Jenelle Sroczynski Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order: 6:34p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the 6-12-2019 Regular Meeting, McCronon/G. Harrington, 4-0 Approved, @ 6:40 pm.

Announcements:

Ms. Corbosiero is interested in conducting a walking tour around Winchendon to determine what buildings the Commission would be interested in saving. This will be scheduled at a later date. Ms. Corbosiero has spoken with Tracy Murphy, Director of Planning and Development. Ms. Murphy is willing to work with the Commission to secure additional grant monies for projects. Ms. G. Harrington stated projects have been spoken about previously, but there tends to be all talk and no action. Ms. Corbosiero suggested having a "working meeting", to where a game plan can be established to identify projects, and how to accomplish them. Examples of projects are a directory of the Old Center Cemetery and tree trimming on the side of the militia field, encroaching on the rare double-faced stone wall.

Public Comment:

None were heard

Member Comments:

Ms. G. Harrington informed the Commission that her son John Harrington would like to build a barn on his property in Old Center. This item will be placed on the agenda for next month.

Mr. McCronon is concerned about a tree growing out from the crypt at the Old Center Cemetery. It will either need to be killed or removed. Mr. McCronon to speak to tree warden Al Gallant regarding this matter.

Ms. M. Harrington would like to see a monthly financial report so Historic monies can be tracked and spent properly. Ms. Corbosiero will speak with Ms. Stevens and secure and distribute report monthly.

Native American Project:

There was no update for this project.

Historic Commission Policies:

Ms. Corbosiero again suggested holding a workshop in order to get some policies established. Ms. G. Harrington feels it's crucial to move quickly and more importantly give new homeowners in the District a pamphlet of guidelines to adhere to. Ms. G. Harrington will get an example from Royalston.

Old Business:

Pleasant View Estate: Ms. Corbosiero has spoken with Mr. Newton, Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Newton has been in contact with the Kuipers, and they have been complying. Mr. Newton has granted them an extension of time to clean the property due to the cost of removing and disposing of debris.

Trees On Common: Ms. Corbosiero has had conversation with Al Gallant. He needs Mr. McCronon to relocate the stakes as he feels the trees will interfere with the wires as they grow. Mr. McCronon will relocate stakes. Mr. Gallant will not be able to relocate trees until October 2019. If trees won't work on the Common Ms. M. Harrington would love to see them planted in the intersection of Hall and Teel Roads.

New Business:

None was heard

Next Meeting: September 11, 2019 at 6:30pm.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: G. Harrington/McCronon 4-0 Approved 7:26pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Jenelle Sroczynski Board Secretary Minutes Approved By: