MINUTES OF THE EMERY ESTATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE JUNE 9, 2016

PRESENT: Pat O'Le

Pat O'Leary (Chair)

Mary Jordan-Roy (Vice Chair)

Ronald Boretti

Laura Gedutis-LeBarron

Bill McCarty Janelle Quinn Cathy Torrey

ABSENT:

Heidi Lewis-Smith

OTHERS:

Nicholas Bulens, Administrative Service Coordinator

Bob Luongo, Planning Director

RECORDING SECRETARY: Julie Burt

(The Department of Planning and Community Department has not received minutes from Recording Secretary Julie Burt for the Emery Estate Advisory Committee's meeting of June 9, 2016. Minutes were requested from Ms. Burt on multiple occasions. Town Clerk Kathy Deree and HR Generalist Lisa Coyne advised that the Department submit minutes based on notes taken by Town staff and the Committee's Chair.)

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of May 26, 2016 were not available for review and approval.

Discussion of public meeting planned for grant application, June 21

Nicholas Bulens and Bob Luongo provided logistics on outreach planned for the PARC Grant application meeting, including location, attendees, letters to abutters, flyers, and a press release. Committee members offered to assist with outreach and planned to attend the meeting.

Update: Investigation of historic designation.

Ron Boretti presented his findings on the National Register of Historic Places and the Massachusetts State Register of Historic Places. These were based on his review of the Massachusetts Secretary of State and Massachusetts Historical Commission's websites. He also spoke via phone with Phil Bergan of the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Bergan's office processes requests to be listed on the national and state registers.

Discussion of the historic designation process took place. Further plans to coordinate with the Weymouth Historical Commission by committee members will be made in the future.

Update: Event planner on property

Nicholas Bulens summarized the prior effort of the Town in the fall of 2015 to solicit Response Proposals for reuse, operation, and management of the estate. Since the Town was applying for a PARC Grant that could help renovate the grounds for events, the committee tabled the discussion pending the outcome of the application.

Other business

There was informal discussion to make road trips to view other properties such as the Daniel Webster Estate in Marshfield, which the Mayor had previously suggested could be a model. No formal plans were made. Members just committed to sharing ideas and experiences visiting similar properties.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Mary Jordan-Roy at 6:40 pm, seconded by Ron Boretti. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Approved:

Pat O'Leary, Chair

Date