

**Weymouth Historical Commission
Record of Minutes and Proceedings**

**November 17, 2015
Kelly Room
Town Hall
75 Middle Street
Weymouth, MA
7:00 PM**

Members Present: Ed Walker, Chairman
 Nancy Cameron
 Rodney Lundin, Vice Chairman
 Mike Murphy
 Mark Schneider

Members Absent: Cathy Torrey
 Don Mathewson

Also Present: Jody Lehrer, Community Development Coordinator
 Julie Burt, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

There being a quorum of the Commission, the Chairman called the meeting of the Historical Commission to order at 7:00 PM.

Town Report

Jody let the members know that the display case outside of the Kelly Room that is the responsibility of the Commission is in bad condition and that the Commission should look into getting it replaced.

Commissioner Murphy made a MOTION for the Historical Commission to remove the case, and seconded by Vice Chair Lundin, and unanimously voted.

Minutes

The minutes of the October 15, 2015, meeting was presented and reviewed. There being no corrections, a MOTION was made by Vice Chair Lundin, and seconded by Commissioner Cameron to accept the minutes of the October 15, 2015, meeting of the Historical Commission, and unanimously voted.

Member Resignation

A letter of resignation submitted by Jodi Purdy-Quinlan was distributed to the members. All members present at the meeting were in receipt of the letter.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Torrey to send a letter of thanks to Ms. Purdy-Quinlan for her many years of service as a member of the Historical Commission, and seconded by Commissioner Cameron, and unanimously voted.

OLD BUSINESS

Emery Estate Discussion

Commissioner Torrey reported that there was a meeting last week with the South Shore Chamber of Commerce in regards to a cultural tour and they were asked to visit Emery Estate this was well received. Commissioner Torrey is excited about the possibilities and restoration. Chairman Walker asked if there is anyone on site and Commissioner Torrey stated that there are currently two offices. He also asked if a meeting could be held there. She stated that the bathrooms are not accessible and because of the public meeting status a meeting could not be held there.

The bids that have been received in response to the RFP are to manage the building and grounds and are pending review.

Historic Districts Highlighted on Town Map

Commissioner Cameron talked to Garrett and will be meeting with him in the next week. Commissioner Cameron is putting the data into a spreadsheet and then Garrett will put the data into the online property viewer. The notations are pertaining to if the property is in a historic district and if it is contributing or not contributing.

Vice Chairman Lundin asked if a map with the historic districts could be put on the town website. Jody Lehrer stated that the maps are not usable and readable when transferred to the website.

Mishoon Case/Canoe Preservation Update

Chairman Walker stated that he spoke with the Director of the library and there would not be a problem to take the case down and mount the mishoon on the table top as well as preserve the mural on the back and put the mishoon on the table top.

There was some discussion regarding the opportunity to relocate the mishoon from the basement of the Tufts library due to its relevance.

Vice Chairman Lundin made a MOTION to keep the mishoon where it is now—the basement of the Tufts Library—and work on improving the display and moving forward with a workable plan, and was seconded by Commissioner Torrey , and unanimously voted.

Commissioner Torrey will verify the plan with the library and trustees and take the photo that President Walker shared.

The current mishoon case will be dismantled and the murals will try to be saved.

Granite Markers on Old Post Road

After brief discussion, Commissioner Torrey made a MOTION to take the granite marker on the corner of Broad Street and Washington Street and relocate it to its proper location at Washington Street and Commercial Street at the bottom of the hill, and seconded by Vice Chairman Lundin, and unanimously voted.

The second marker location will be further investigated and a determination on where to place it will be made.

NEW BUSINESS

Weymouth 400th Anniversary

Commissioner Torrey reported that the 400th Anniversary of Weymouth is approaching. She recommended that the Commission work to get the town's historical buildings on the National Register as part of the upcoming celebration/birthday.

On October 24, Tufts Library's 50th Anniversary will be celebrated and a number of historic articles, that are part of the library's collection, will be displayed.

Election of Officers

Chairman

Commissioner Torrey nominated Ed Walker to continue as Chairman, and was seconded by Commissioner Cameron, and unanimously voted.

Vice Chairman

Commissioner Cameron nominated Rod Lundin to continue as Vice Chairman, and was seconded by Commissioner Torrey, and unanimously voted.

Curator

Chairman Walker nominated Nancy Cameron to continue as Curator, and was seconded by Commissioner Torrey, and unanimously voted.

Adjournment

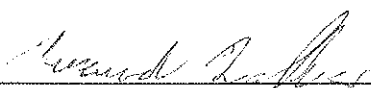
A motion to adjourn at 8:00PM was made by Commissioner Torrey, seconded by Commissioner Cameron, and unanimously voted.

Next Meeting

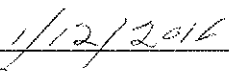
The next meeting of the Weymouth Historical Commission will be held on November 10, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie S. Burt



Edward Walker, Chairman



Date