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**Tuesday, October 14, 2014
Town Hall, Kelly Room
75 Middle Street, Weymouth, MA 02181**

Members Present: Ed Walker, Chairman
Rodney Lundin, Vice Chairman
Nancy Cameron
Don Mathewson

Members Absent: Erica Dumont, Cathy Torrey, and Jodi-Purdy Quinlan

Also Present: Jody Lehrer, Community Development Coordinator
Abby McCabe, Recording Secretary

There being a quorum of the Commission, the Chairman called the meeting of the Historic Commission to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes:

On a motion made by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Lundin, the Commission voted 4-0 to accept the minutes of September 8, 2014 as written.

Reports:

Ms. Lehrer, Community Development Coordinator, reported that the property at 872 Commercial Street with the historic house facing Legion Field was recently divided from one lot into two lots. There are no plans at this time to do anything with the existing house but the second lot created by this plan is now a separate buildable lot. She informed the Commission that the canoe preservation work is complete and the maintenance and findings report has been submitted and posted on the website. She also said that she has prepared a response letter to Mr. Pepe to inform him that the Commission received his September letter requesting signage on Route 18 but that no signage would be installed at this time. Ms. Lehrer informed the Commission that the historic house plaques have been received and a meeting with the Commission and Mayor can be coordinated for the plaque presentation ceremony. The Commission suggested this be before the Tuesday, December 9 meeting at Town Hall at 5:30 PM and then the regular meeting will be held at 7:00 PM at the Fogg Library. Commissioner Cameron said that she would not be available for the December meeting. Ms. Lehrer will coordinate the presentation ceremony with the Mayor, Commission, and property owners receiving the plaques.

Old Business:

Wessagussett Site Update - No updates on this as Commissioner Purdy Quinlan was not present to report on this item.

Sword Case for McCulloch USMC Dress Sword – Commissioner Lundin distributed photographs of the completed sword in the case installed at the McCulloch building. Rod said that he would send photos to Jody to post on the website. It was also suggested to reach out to the family that donated the sword and see about arranging a dedication ceremony with the Mayor.

Canoe Preservation Update – Chairman Walker noted the final report and findings have been submitted by Found Legends. He also said he is contacting the art department and art teacher about having the mural updated by the students and to discuss those details.

New Business:

Old Pumping Station Building (Water Department) – Chairman Walker said that this was on the agenda because the old pump station on Hollis Street is in really poor condition and he asked if the building should be removed and demolished. Staff responded that it may be worth having the Building Inspector go out and inspect the building to evaluate its condition.

Update Town Map – Historic Districts

The Commission asked for an update on a map showing the historic districts and historic landmarks in town. Ms. Lehrer reported that this has not been completed yet as it turned out it is more difficult than originally thought to add each property that is listed on the town's demolition delay to the town's GIS and property viewer. Commissioner Cameron volunteered to help in this effort. Ms. Lehrer will provide further information to Commissioner Cameron on how to assist with adding these properties into excel so they can be mapped.

Emery Estate Discussion – Since Commissioner Torrey was not at the meeting there were not specific updates as Cathy Torrey was the Commission's liaison on the Emery Estate Advisory Committee. The Commission expressed interest in knowing more about the status of the Emery Estate and estimates on the function and event space and notified of the next Emery Estate Advisory Committee meeting so the Commission can be more informed.

Restoration of mural and Floor in large Canoe Case – Chairman Walker stated that this was in progress.

Canoe Preservation Project Display at Town Hall Case – Chairman Walker suggested adding information and the report on the canoe's preservation to the display case at Town Hall. Commissioner Lundin and Mathewson agreed to help the Chairman with the display case at Town Hall.

On a motion by Commissioner Cameron, seconded by Commissioner Lundin, the Commission voted 4-0 to create a subcommittee of Commissioners Lundin, Mathewson, and Walker to create the display case.

Announcements

The Abigail Adams wedding anniversary reenactment and related events are upcoming beginning on Friday, October 24 and continuing until Sunday, October 26, 2014.

Ms. McCabe informed the Commission that the property owner in Weymouth Landing, Nick Delegas, was working towards a neighborhood meeting for October 29 to discuss his plans for development. His proposal includes demolishing the existing buildings to install a new four story building with first floor commercial and three floors of residential above.

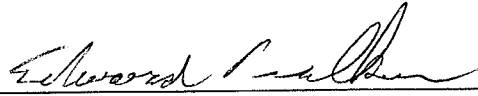
Next Meeting – Due to the election and Veteran's Day holiday the next meeting was tentatively rescheduled for Thursday, November 13, Ms. Lehrer and the Chairman will inform the other members not present tonight and check on their availability.

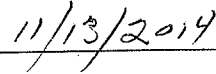
Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. was made by Commissioner Cameron and seconded by Commissioner Lundin and unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted by:
Abby McCabe

Approved by:





Edward Walker, Chairman

Date

