

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

**February 14, 2017
Fogg Library
1 Columbian Square
Fogg Library Room 1
Weymouth, MA
7:00 PM**

Members Present: Ed Walker, Chair
 Cathy Torrey
 Mike Murphy
 Jenn Weiss Donovan

Absent Members: Rod Lundin, Vice Chair
 Nancy Pendergast Cameron
 Mark Schneider

Also Present: Jody Lehrer, Town Liaison

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:14pm by Chairman Ed Walker

Minutes:

The October, November, and December 2016 Minutes as well as January 2017 Minutes were voted on and approved at tonight's meeting via motion by Cathy Torrey, second by Mike Murphy.

Old Business:

Town Map Weymouth Historic Districts

Member Nancy Pendergast Cameron was not present at the meeting for current update, discussion tabled until next month's meeting.

Civil War Monument

Member Mike Murphy plans to discuss status with Director of the Department of Planning and Community Development, Robert Luongo, and update the Commission at the March 14th Commission meeting.

400th Anniversary of the Town of Weymouth

A 400th Anniversary Committee meeting will be held at the Mayor's Office on February 16th at 2:00pm. It is anticipated that the Director of the Plymouth 400th Committee will be in attendance to discuss event and planning logistics as well as group non-profit status.

Mutton Lane

A zoning board of appeals meeting will be conducted on Wednesday February 15th at 7:00pm relative to the property at 4 Mutton Lane. Commission members are invited to attend along with Robert Luongo and others in support of preserving the property's historic significance.

New Business:Massachusetts General Law on Historical Commissions

The Commission reviewed the articles on alternate members as well as acquisition of gifts of historical significance to the Town.

Jody Lehrer reported that the Mayor's Office will review the request for the Commission to nominate/appoint Alternate Historical Commission Members. The alternate members would be available in situations where acting Commission Members are unavailable to attend meetings and quorum must be met.

All historical donations to the Town of Weymouth must go through the Mayor's Office, acting as the Town Historian. At that time, they will determine where to further relocate the items of historical significance.

Spectra Document

It was brought to the Commission's attention that a public document was filed that could be misinterpreted to imply that the Weymouth Historical Commission approves of the proposed compressor station project. The Spectra document indicates that a "concurrence letter" was received by the MA SHPO Nov 11, 2015, in connection with the National Historic Preservation Act. The Historical Commission would like it to establish that approval of this project should not be implied or interpreted. Jody Lehrer will further research 2015 Committee Meeting Minutes and will reopen the discussion at the March meeting.

Ethics Training for Town Employees

The Committee was advised that each member must complete ethics online training as all are considered municipal employees (paid or volunteer). The printed certificate must be printed and forwarded to the Town Clerk's Office by February 28th for record.

Announcements:

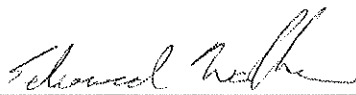
Cathy Torrey announced that there would be an event on Saturday March 11th at the Tufts Library, 3:00-5:00pm, to highlight the role women have had in preserving local historic sites. The event is titled "Protecting Our Past: Women in Historic Preservation" and is sponsored by the Abigail Adams Historical Society and Weymouth Public Libraries.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on March 14, 2017 at the Fogg Library at 7:00pm.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm with a motion by Mike Murphy, second by Cathy Torrey.



Edward Walker, Chairman



Date