

# HARVARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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*The Harvard Historical Commission is chartered "...to preserve and protect the historic assets of Harvard, its buildings, structures, places, sites, and surrounding settings of historical or architectural significance."*

Following are the minutes for the regular meeting of the Harvard Historical Commission in the Volunteer Room at the Town Hall, held on May 3, 2017 at 7:00pm.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **TOPICS:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Chairperson Pam Marston

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** George Triantaris, Ben Guthro, Daria Swanton, Pam Marston, David Vannicola, Manny, Steve Nigzus

**TIME**

**7:00**

### **AUDIENCE:**

**REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** Motion made / 2<sup>nd</sup>'ed and minutes accepted

**APPOINT A NOTE TAKER:** Steve Nigzus was appointed note taker.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**NEW APPLICATIONS APPROVED:**

**NEW APPLICATIONS:** 74 Shaker Road, Harvard, MA

Marc Sevigny filed an application for certificate to stain his light grey barn a dark grey color and paint his yellow garden shed the same dark grey color. He was granted a certificate last year to stain his attached garage the dark grey color.

**7:10**

→ Ben made a motion for non-applicability; there was no 2<sup>nd</sup> so the motion died on the floor.

→ George made a motion for a certificate of appropriateness – insubstantial; 2<sup>nd</sup>'ed by Dave V – passed 6-1

### **ON-GOING BUSINESS:**

1. Tim Bragan met with Pam to discuss removing brush and trees at First Herb House. Pam will accompany Liz Allard and Highway Dept head to the site prior to commencing the work. They also discussed replacing the historic district sign that was near TH.

→ Dave, Liz & Tim to review the scope of work on a certain Tuesday at 11:00 - TBD

2. Marie Sobalvarro met with Pam to start paperwork for the rebuilding of the Bromfield wall.

**7:30**

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. (email) Tim Bragan will be asking HHC to design new location/direction signs for TH, Fire Station and Hildreth House. Pam will email Chris Cutler

→ Tim attended the meeting and asked for suggestions; the committee will look for design options and report back to the Commission.

2. (letter) Freedom's Way National Heritage Area sent a letter requesting that HHC fill out a survey regarding any unrecognized historic resources within the heritage area communities. Pam provided HHS with this survey as well as giving a copy to Joe Theriault in the hopes that they could help with filling it out.

→ Pam spoke with Judy Warner and started the process of filling out the survey. TBC.

3. (letter) Bill Scanlon sent HHC a letter regarding Master Plan Recommendations. It assigned tasks to HHC. (enclosed)

→ Discussed one page summary but no action taken.

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### **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS:**

**8:30**

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**Monument Committee** (DV): report from the Monument committee meeting

→no report

**CPC** (PM) Discuss any thoughts about CPC funding for HHC projects

→John Lee attended the meeting and invited the entire Commission to the next CPC meeting that will be held on 5/17/17.

**Cemetery Commission** (DS)

→no report

→Pam reported that she is still involved in the rebuilding of the Bromfield school stone wall.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Vote in new officers to start in June

**8:35**

→new officers were elected at this meeting. Those officers were for Chairperson, Vice-Chair and Secretary.

Ben nominated by Dave for Chair; 2<sup>nd</sup>'ed by Steve

Pam nominated by Ben for Secretary; 2<sup>nd</sup>'ed by Steve

Dave nominated by Pam for Vice-Chair; 2<sup>nd</sup>'ed by Daria

Manny proposed motion to vote on the entire slate of names; 2<sup>nd</sup>'ed by Pam.

Vote: Unanimous

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** None

**SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:** June 7, 2017

**Meeting Adjourned**

**8:45**

→Motion to Adjourn by Steve; 2<sup>nd</sup>'ed by George. Passed unanimously.