

April 20, 2017

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Historic District Commission and the Historical Commission, Petersham Memorial Library, 23 Common St.

Call to order: 7:05 PM, Chairperson Nancy Allen

Commission members present: Nancy Allen, Claudette Bishop, Bob Clark, Jeremy Gabrenas, Chris Mandel, Melissa Martinez, Lynn Shaw

Commission members absent: None

Others present: None

Recorder: Claudette Bishop

Agenda Items

Review/approval minutes of prior meetings:

- Review of February 16, 2017 meeting minutes, February 16 hearing minutes re: 9 North St. proposed addition and February 16 and 23, 2017 hearing minutes re: proposed ramp at town hall. Approved with one amendment.

Moved: Lynn; Seconded: Jeremy; Approved: unanimous

Project applications: None

Business permits: None

Stone-Wheeler site:

UMASS professor Eric Johnson visited the site with 5 students on April 15 to develop a basic plan to map the site for archaeological purposes and submit to Mass. Historical Commission. He plans to visit the site again and will provide more notice so others can participate.

Correspondence:

Lisa McLoughlin from Northfield HDC/HCC inviting local committees to a lecture about inclusion of native communities and sites.

Sally Zimmerman from Historic New England invited Petersham HDC to participate in a workshop on May 19 in Stockbridge.

Programs and Initiatives:

Discussion included ideas for updating the Historic District Properties book, status of an application for a visitor kiosk for Harvard Pond which is part of a state program to promote Central Mass. tourism, the “boiling spring” in the Babbitt Sanctuary, and notice that the town assessor will have official town maps available in June.

Next Meeting Scheduled: May 18, 2017

Adjourned: 8:35 PM

Moved: Claudette; Seconded: Jeremy; Approved: unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Claudette Bishop, Clerk

Approved by HDC at May 18 2017 Meeting