APPROVED JAN. 16, 2019

DUXBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes: January 2, 2019

Present: R.Tag Carpenter, Vice-Chair, Arthur Evans, Sheila Lynch-Benttinen, and Nicole Walters. Robert C. (Terry) Vose, Chair, Mark Barry and Michael Cole were absent.

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Vice Chairman Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

1. Open Forum.

New residents of 208 Myrtle St., the Joel Peterson House (DUX 454) are said to be considering a total demolition.

- **2. Minutes.** Minutes of the December 5, 2018 meeting were approved by a 4-0 vote.
- 3. Pending Demolition Application. 286 Marshall Street, Standish House Hotel South Wing, ca. 1872. Six month delay imposed Sept. 19, 2018; expires March 19, 2019.

 No direct contact with the owners to date. A meeting with them, the Zoning Enforcement Officer, Planning Director, and a member of the Design Review Board has yet to be arranged.
- 4. New Building and Demolition Applications: None
- 5. Proposal for List of Historical Properties. Funding of this proposal was previously rejected by the CPC. In its place, Commissioner Lynch-Benttinen suggested working with Preservation MA to hold a workshop on the general topic "Historic Preservation in Duxbury." Possible speakers would be contractors who have restored homes, members of the Dateboard Society of the DRHS, and others. The workshop would be held prior to the Town Meeting on March 9 and open to the public. Ms. Lynch-Benttinen will contact Preservation MA about this after the Planning Boad meeting January 9.
- 6. Planning Board Revisions to Demolition Delay Bylaw. The Planning Board will hold a public hearing January 9 to consider three proposed zoning articles it plans to submit to the Annual Town Meeting March 9. Two of these concern the Duxbury Protective Bylaw Article 609 (the "Demolition Delay Bylaw"); one extends the demolition delay period from six to twelve months; the second adds "a term of expiration for determinations made by the DHC," and includes language that addresses the transferability of a determination made by the DHC. Commissioners expressed their appreciation of the PB's efforts in making these amendments, and agreed to support them as written, even though the Commission was not in full agreement with their provisions. It was suggested the PB also consider clarifying paragraph 4 of Section 609.3, "Procedures," in the Bylaw by adding the words "but before twenty (20) business days" after "No less than ten (10) business days." Commissioners were encouraged to attend the PB hearing on Jan. 9.
- **7. CPC Update.** No report. Mr. Vose, CPC liaison was absent.
- **8. Local Historic District Update.** No report. Mr. Vose, LHDC liaison was absent.
- **9. Motion to Adjourn**. Made and seconded at 8:40 PM; approved 4-0.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk