## **DUXBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

## <u>Арргоу М. Г. 13</u>

Minutes: May 19, 2021

DUXBURY, MASS.

Present: Tag Carpenter, Chair, Arthur Evans, Sheila Lynch-Benttinen, and Ed Mayo. Nicole Walters, Chris Andrew, and Dante Iannazzo were absent.

Note: the numbering below is chronological and may not correspond to agenda item numbering.

Mr. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:13 PM and confirmed that members present could be heard by mentioning their name and receiving an affirmative response. He then read the following preamble:

"This Open Meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 Virus. In order to mitigate the transmission of the COVID-19 Virus, we have been advised and directed by the Commonwealth to suspend public gatherings, and as such, the Governor's Order suspends the requirement of the Open Meeting Law to have all meetings in a publicly accessible physical location. Further, all members of public bodies are allowed and encouraged to participate remotely. The Order, which you can find posted on our agenda, allows public bodies to meet entirely remotely so long as reasonable public access is afforded so that the public can follow along with the deliberations of the meeting. For public access please email at <a href="mailto:DuxHistoricalCom@gmail.com">DuxHistoricalCom@gmail.com</a> or call in at 1-929-436-2866 for questions or comments.

This meeting is convening via Zoom video conference and is being recorded. The recording will be made available via video on-demand on PACTV's website."

- 1. Open Forum.
- 2. Minutes. Minutes of the May 5 meeting were approved by a 4-0 vote.
- 3. Pending Demolition Application:
- a. 199 Depot Street. A public hearing has been scheduled for June 2; the first of two notices appeared in the May 5 edition of the Duxbury Clipper. Concern was expressed about how other neighbors in the area in addition to immediate abutters would get word of the hearing.
- 4. Demolition Delays in Effect
- a. 313 Washington Street, expires July 20, 2021. No contact with the owners.
- b. 260 Washington Street Barn, expires August 5, 2021. Still no response from the owners to the letter sent in December following up on the alternatives meeting in August 2020.
- c. 57 Shipyard Lane, expires September 16, 2021. Owners have been in touch with the Shea's and Tony Kelso, both of whom have expressed an interest in having the historic part of the house moved. At present Mr. Kelso's interest in having the house "flaked" by Michael Burrey and relocated to his property on Standish Shore appears to be the best option. One complication is this would require approval by the ZBA, currently working through a backlog of agenda items. Because the proposed new house at 57 Shipyard will also be nonconforming and require ZBA approval, there may be some flexibility in the scheduled September demolition. Ms. Lynch-Benttinen will draft a letter to be sent to the ZBA encouraging swift action on Mr. Kelso's plan once he submits an application to the ZBA.

- 5. 761 Temple Street, demolition delay expired Oct. 1, 2020. Decisions have yet to made about the property, now owned by the Town. Does the barn go with the house or the land? A subdivision plan is needed; the Town Manager is reported to be forming a committee to sort things out. Ms. Lynch-Benttinen suggested the Historical Commission ask the Town Manager to rent the house so it would at least be occupied and not suffer further from neglect. Mr. Carpenter will follow-up.
- 6. LHDC Update. A productive remote joint meeting with the Historic Commission was held May 11; minutes are to follow. It was agreed to hold joint meetings on a quarterly basis in the future. The LHDC plans to focus on public outreach in the months ahead and plans to generate concrete items for this.
- 7. New Commissioner(s) Search. Dante lannazzo and Nicole Walters have resigned from the Commission, Mr. Iannazzo effective immediately and Ms. Walters at the end of June, leaving two vacancies for the coming FY. Three persons who have submitted Talent Bank forms expressing an interest in the HC will be contacted and invited for interviews; commissioners were encouraged to spread the word about the vacancies and encourage others to apply.
- 7. CPC Update. A meeting is planned for May 27. The CPC is now accepting funding proposals for FY 2022.
- 8. Motion to Adjourn. Made and seconded at 7:45 PM. Passed 4-0.

New Materials Received: None

Minutes prepared and submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk