

DUXBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**Minutes: November 2, 2022****Approved Nov. 16, 2022**NOV 23 PM 1:36
DUXBURY, MASS

Present: Tag Carpenter, Chair, Ed Mayo, Vice Chair, Chris Andrew, Andrew Burns, Arthur Evans, and Brendan Wall. Michael Carlson was absent.

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

The meeting was held remotely via Zoom. Mr. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM and confirmed that members present could be heard by calling for a roll call. He then read the following preamble:

"Pursuant to Governor Baker's Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 dated June 16, 2021, An Act Relative to Extending Certain Covid-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency regarding suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, as amended on July 15, 2022, the Town of Duxbury's Board and/or Committee meetings will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible with members. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to watch the meeting may do so by following the ZOOM meeting links."

The meeting was convened via Zoom video conference and recorded.

1. Open Forum. No items.
2. Minutes. The October 5, 2022, minutes were approved by a 6-0 vote.
3. New Demolition Delay Application: None
4. Preservation of the Isaac Simmons Farm at 761 Temple St.
The Harrington Working Group has agreed to engage the services of a commercial real estate agent to assist with the sale of this home. The Town Manager wants Town Counsel advice on this before proceeding. The \$30k funding approved at the Oct. 17 STM will be used for payment of misc. fees, possibly an improved septic system, and site work – marking corners of the lot, etc. Future open house tours will be handled by the sales agent.
5. Revisions to Commission's page on the Town website.
The main revision discussed was adding a link to MACRIS with information about how to use it. Historical Commissions in several other towns provide this. Another suggested revision was to add a link to the DRHS.
6. Preservation Grant Calendar
It was suggested and generally agreed that having a calendar of available grants throughout the year would be useful. The MHC may provide such a list
7. CPA Preservation Grant Program.
This continues as a work in progress. Commissioners still need further information about how other communities, notably Cambridge, Arlington, and Framingham, have such programs set up and how they are administered. The Chair will follow up.
8. CPC Update/Special Town Meeting.

All three articles discussed at the October 5 meeting were approved at the STM on Oct 17: purchase of the Ricker bogs (Article 2), increase the CPA real estate tax surcharge from one to three percent (Article 3), spend \$30k of CPA funds to preserve, stabilize, and ready the Isaac Simmons farmhouse for sale (Article 13). The CPC will meet again Nov.3.

9. LHDC Update.

Continues to meet to consider new applications to present at the ATM in March 2023

10. Motion to Adjourn. Made and seconded at 7:29 PM. Passed 6-0.

11. Miscellaneous. The Clerk has been in touch with the MHC about the proper procedure for noting how a home listed on MACRIS has been demolished or extensively remodeled. He will circulate a draft list of such properties in Duxbury to commissioners prior to the next meeting.

New Materials Received: None

Minutes Prepared and Submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk