

DUXBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Minutes: April 15, 2020

Approved May 6, 2020

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

Mr. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM and confirmed that members present could be heard by mentioning their name and receiving an affirmative response. He then read the following "Introduction to Remote Meeting":

"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 <https://www.pactv.org/pactv/towns/duxbury/duxbury> or call in at (781) 934 1100 xt. 5409 for questions or comments.

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1. Open Forum. No discussion.

2. Minutes. Minutes of the March 4 meeting were approved with one correction; minutes from the April 1 meeting were approved as written. Vote on both was 5-0.

3. Initial Determinations

a. *226 Powder Point Avenue, total demolition.* The public hearing originally scheduled for April 1 was postponed to "a date, time, and place certain" at the request of the owner. The hearing is now tentatively scheduled for the May 6 meeting.

4. New Demolition Delay Applications.

a. *105 Surplus Street, partial demolition/addition.* Owner, Michael Collentro, participated in the meeting and described his plans for renovation. The original house, ca. 1792, will be left intact, but an addition to it, thought to be ca. 1940, will be replaced. Because commissioners had

not had an opportunity to do a walkaround, it was agreed to schedule one for May 5 at 4:30 PM. The demolition application will be considered further at the May 6 meeting.

b. *10 Pine Point Place, total demolition.* To be considered at the May 6 meeting. Commissioners were encouraged to do a drive-by of the house before then.

5. Demolition Delays in Effect

a. *184 Marshall Street, total demolition.* Delay expires February 6, 2021. House has been purchased by Eric Pontieff, builder, who has made it his residence while he considers options for what to do with it. The next step is to invite him, the Zoning Enforcement Officer, the Planning Director, and a representative of the Design Review Board to meet and consider alternatives to demolition, as outlined in Bylaw §609.

b. *761 Temple Street, total demolition.* No new developments were reported. Purchase of the property by the Town will be the subject of a special Town Meeting yet to be scheduled. The regular ATM has been rescheduled for June 13.

c. *208 Myrtle Street, total demolition.* Construction of a new house on the former site of 208 Myrtle continues, while the old house remains available to anyone who wants it. A member suggested the commission consider rescinding the demolition delay; the Chair will discuss with the builder.

Note: There was no discussion of the remaining four items on the agenda:

- Franklin Street Overpass,
- Long Term Goals for the Historical Commission,
- CPC update,
- Local Historic District Commission Update.

6. Date of next meeting. The next regularly scheduled meeting is May 6. The meeting will be held remotely using ZOOM and hosted by PACTV. Start time is 3:00 PM.

New Materials Received:

1. Demolition Application dated April 11, 2020 for 105 Surplus Street

Minutes prepared and submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk

