

Minutes: June 19, 2019

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

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

Chairman Vose called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

1. **Open Forum.** No discussion
2. **Minutes.** Minutes of the June 5 meeting were approved by a 4-0 vote.
3. **Prospective New Commissioner Interviews.**

John Bradford. Mr. Bradford, a lifelong resident of Duxbury, is concerned about the changing nature of the town, particularly the number of older houses being sold and either renovated or torn down. He had previously attend a DHC meeting and would like to actively participate in historic preservation as a member of the DHC.

David Manly. Withdrew

Evelyn Walker. New applicant; interview to be scheduled for July 17 meeting.

4. **Demolition Delay in Effect**

a. *308 Summer Street, ca. 1838, total demolition. Delay expires Oct. 6, 2010.*

The Planning Board has granted owner Pete DelPrete a two year extension on his application to develop this property, allowing him time to begin work on the proposed road and development of Lot #2. Mr. DelPrete met with a group of private citizens June 19 to discuss a possible relocation of the house at 308 Summer Street; outcome of the meeting was not known.

5. **New Demolition Applications:**

a. *Garage at 16 Crooked Lane, total demolition.* Walkaround completed June 6. Moved and seconded that the structure does not meet the criteria of a regulated building, and a demolition delay should not be imposed. Passed 4-0.

b. *339 Powder Point Avenue, James Otis House and Garage, ca. 1890. Complete Demolition.* Application received June 18 that included misunderstandings of the schedule to be followed in processing a demolition request. Suggested that Mr. Vose send a letter to the applicant about this; to be discussed further at the next meeting July 17.

6. **Pending Sale of 761 Temple Street**

Ms. Lynch-Benttinen, acting as a private citizen and not a member of the Historic Commission, wrote a letter to the Clipper signed by several interested residents urging the BOS to delay lifting the current 61 A designation from this property to give time to consider options to its pending purchase by a developer. Planning Director Valerie Massard requested a meeting with her to discuss this.

7. **June 25 meeting re: grant funding for historic preservation plan.**

This meeting is being facilitated by Town Planner Valerie Massard. Commissioners were urged to attend.

8. **Revisions to Town history on DHC website.** The Clerk located a long version of the history written by former DHCCommissioner Leslie Lawrence that he will share with commissioners. He also reported his wife is preparing the draft history of the Town for the commission to consider.
9. **Revision of Commission's Rules and Regulations.** A new draft of the revised version was distributed, but discussion of it was put off until the next meeting when it is hoped more commissioners will be in attendance.
10. **CPC Update.** Nothing new to report.
11. **Local Historic District Update.** Mr. Vose will invite members of the LHDC to the July 17 meeting of the Commission to discuss the possibility of combining the LHDC with the Historical Commission as suggested by the Town Manager and Town Planner.
12. **Motion to Adjourn.** Made and seconded at 8:28 PM; approved 4-0.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk

New Materials Received:

1. Application for total demolition of 339 Powder Point Avenue.
2. Revised version of DHC's Rules and Regulations