

Minutes: August 8, 2018

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

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Vice-Chairman Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

1. **Open Forum.** The Commission received an inquiry from Carl Wolfrum on behalf of the Bay Farm Montessori School about demolishing the building at 145 Loring Avenue. Mr. Evans will follow-up.
2. **Minutes.** Minutes of the July 25 meeting were approved as written.
3. **New Building and Demolition Application**
 - a. *286 Marshall Street, Standish House Hotel South Wing, ca. 1872. Complete Demolition.* The owners, Barry and Nancy Gonder were present. Unlike the North Wing of the Standish House Hotel at 262 Marshall Street (DUX 355), this house was not surveyed by the Massachusetts Historical Commission. It has been moved from its original location twice, numerous alterations and additions have been made to it over the years, and the structure has water problems in the basement and foundation. The core of the original building remains and is identifiable from old photos in the dateboard application as part of the original hotel. It was noted that relocation of the building limits its historic value, but does not eliminate it, and commissioners concluded the building meets all three of the criteria outlined in the Demolition Delay Bylaw as a regulated structure. It was moved and seconded that application for demolition be reviewed at a public hearing to be held on September 5, 2018. Passed 5-0.
 - b. *282 King Caesar Road, DUX 639, The Alice B. Plummer House, ca.1939. Garage Demolition; alterations.* The Commission received a copy of the Building Permit dated July 23, 2018 to demolish the existing garage that was damaged in last winter's storms, elevate the existing residence so it would be above the flood zone, and add a new garage. Commissioners were pleased none of this work would alter the structure of the house, and concluded that no action was required by the DHC. Moved and seconded not to take any further action. Passed 5-0. Commissioners asked to be kept informed of any changes that may be made to the current plan .
4. **Interview with Michael J. Cole.** Michael Cole is a relative newcomer to Duxbury and a history teacher at Weymouth High School; he and his family moved here because of the quality of the schools and the historic nature of the Town. Commissioners thought Mr. Cole's interest and enthusiasm would bring a welcomed fresh perspective to its deliberations, and voted 5-0 to recommend his appointment to the DHC to the Board of Selectmen.

5. CPC Udate. No new information.

6. Local Historic District Update. No new information.

7. Motion to Adjourn. Made at 8:33 PM; approved by a 5-0 vote. Next meetings are scheduled for August 22nd and September 5.

New Materials Received:

1. Complete Historic Structure Demoliton Application dated July 30, 2018 for 286 Marshall Street.
2. Dateboard Application for 286 Marshall Street.
3. Building Permit for 282 King Caesar Road.
4. Talent Bank form and C.V. for Michael J. Cole.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk