

Minutes: June 28, 2017

Present: R.Tag Carpenter, Vice-Chair, David Amory, Molly Curtin, Arthur Evans and Nicole Walters. Robert C. Vose, Chair, and Mark Barry were absent.

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

1. **Open Forum.** No discussion.
2. **Minutes.** Minutes of the June 7, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.
3. **Public Hearing: 6 Powder Point Ave. Shed**

Several abutters and interested parties attended, including the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Venturelli. They called attention to the poor condition of the structure and noted they were not adding footage to the existing house, but were willing to let the bylaw process play out. One neighbor did not see the significance of the historic nature of the shed; others noted it represents "old Duxbury," is in the Shipbuilders District, and is an iconic building. A letter from Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Palmer, abutters spoke to the historic character of the neighborhood. After an hour's discussion the public hearing was closed. Because the Commission cannot reach a decision "not less than ten days" from the date of a hearing, a vote on the matter was set for the next scheduled meeting on July 19.

4. **New Demolition Applications**

- a. *290 Standish Street, Wait Wadsworth House, 1764. Minor Addition.* Application was incomplete, but from the walk-around it was determined that a Demolition Application is not required for the work outlined.
- b. *567 Bay Road, Garage Addition to House.* Because the proposed demolition to the existing house is minimal, it was determined this should not be considered a regulated structure by the DHC.
- c. *Battelle Institute Buildings.* The applications attached to Robert W. Galvin's letter of June 15 were incomplete, so no action was taken on them. A walkaround of the property was conducted June 23.

5. **At Risk Historic Structures**

- a. *88 Surplus Street, ca.1832. Gershom B. Weston- Hannah Bradford House (DUX 399).* House has not yet been sold and remains on the market.

- b. *232 Surplus Street, ca. 1736, Ebenezer Wormall House (DUX 23).* No new information.
 - c. *31 Crescent Street, ca. 1940. Complete Demolition.* Demolition Application not yet received. See minutes of meeting 1/4/2017.
 - d. *62 Cove Street.* Reported this house is under agreement to be sold.
- 6. **CPC Update.** Discussion tabled pending return of Mr.Vose.
 - 7. **Local Historic District Update.** Discussion tabled pending return of Mr. Vose.
 - 9. **Revised Demolition Delay Bylaw.** Brief discussion about the need to begin work on this and the nature of the revision. There was continued general agreement the document needs to be simplified and revisions kept to a minimum.
 - 10. **Adjournment.** Unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:56PM.

New Items Received.

- 1. Letter dated June 15, 2017 from Robert W. Galvin, Esq. with five (5) Building Permit Applicatons attached.
- 2. Letter dated June 16, 2017 from Jeff and Kathy Palmer re: 6 Powder Pt. Ave.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk