



Heritage Commission

Minutes

18 Nov 2021

Heritage Commission Conference Room

237 Atlantic Ave

Present:

Donna Etela, Chair

Vicki Jones

Jim Maggiore

Carol Seely

Cynthia Swank

Alternate: Jeff Hillier

Absent: Jane Currivan, Nancy Monaghan, Jane Robie

1. Call to Order at 9:36am; Hillier to vote for Currivan

2. Treasurer's Report. As of October 31, with the addition of 53 cents interest, the Heritage Fund totals \$7674.90 and \$1000 remains in the operating budget. The report was approved unanimously [Jones moved, Hillier seconded]

3. Approval of Minutes. Minutes of 21 October 2021 as prepared were approved unanimously. [Jones moved, Seely seconded]

4. Old Business

Building Committee Report. Maggiore reported that there is a meeting of the Select Board [SB] and Building Committee this evening. He expects to see the plan for the Public Safety Center and Town Administration in the recently vacated Library. The footprint has remained the same but interiors may have changed as well as the description of functions.

He expects the meeting to follow a public hearing format so that the public can ask questions and comment throughout the meeting. He does not expect the Select Board to vote out the plan but more likely Ricci will incorporate changes suggested at the meeting. It is doubtful a final version will be ready by Monday's SB meeting.

Etela reminded him that the site plan is not correct re the sidewalk or walkway or boundary lines; and that it needs to be right

Schnitzler Report- Stone Building/Update. Nothing new to report.

Walkway Project/Flooding/Pause. Nothing new to report.

Historic District and CLG/Pause. Work will continue next year. See below 5. New Business. Resume Master Plan Draft.

Alternate Positions. Etela is trying to persuade a Little Boar's Head [LBH] resident, Angela Stevens.

There was a brief discussion of a recent demolition of an historic structure in LBH. Etela said she has been unable to locate the demo permit thus far.

Swank noted that in Massachusetts, some towns have set demolition permit fees as a percentage of the assessed value of what is being destroyed. North Hampton's and those in surrounding towns seem to have a single modest fee, no matter the size or value of the structure.

Action Items. Etela contacted Lisa Mausolf and she is willing to assist with drafting appropriate historic district rules.

5. New Business

Resume Master Plan Draft. Jones passed out copies. All thought content and format were fine; order may change. The subcommittee of Jones, Seely, and Swank with Mausolf's assistance will work on developing standards for a local historic district that would be included in an information packet seeking approval from Centennial Hall and the United Church of Christ.

Maggiore will find out more about the Town Common, including the bandstand. It was noted that the anchors were 1950s replacements for the cannons the U.S. Navy took during World War II. Many benches seems recent; as are the lights. The trough's origin is not known at present; maintenance of the hill on the other side of road leading from Hobbs/Atlantic to Post is funded by a Hobbs trust.

Jones will make changes and send to the sub-committee. Maggiore will gather information about the Town Common. Jones will call Mausolf. Most likely there will be a January meeting.

Other business. Hillier reported that the coastal management group effort for a Master Plan relating to sea level rise is about ready. Additional wordsmithing is in progress. It

appears to be a reasonable document that emphasizes the need to keep one's eyes open to change and events; and work with surrounding towns.

6. Next Meeting Date & Time. No meeting anticipated until Jan 20, 2022.

7. Adjournment. 10:38 A.M.

Cynthia G. Swank
Recording Secretary

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