Dartmouth Historical Commission

Minutes of meeting of October 6, 2014

Present: Judy Lund, Bob Harding. Philip Baker, Damon May, Bob Smith, George

Ripley

Bob Smith agreed to take the minutes

Demo applications approved:

2 Wilson St: Unanimous

20 Hathaway Rd: Unanimous 206 Bakerville Rd: Unanimous

25 Nonquitt Av: Passed, 1 Abstention

Russells Mills Schoolhouse:

Lease Renewal: RFP due in November, 3-year term effective January 2015

Plaque Request, 897 Smith Neck Road:

Unable to certify Assessors' construction date (1814): Judy will look at Worth papers at the Whaling Museum

Cell Tower Application, 300 Gulf Hill Road:

Public hearing moved to November 6

Scanning Old Form B's:

Mass Historical is digitizing all Form B's for state. Check into linking to their site (consider saving time and expense of duplicating their work by linking to the state site).

DNRT/Helfand Farm Demolition Delay Hearing September 30:

6 Month Delay passed.

Many people attended to make plea for saving the Helfand Farm buildings in situ.

It was generally felt that greatest preservation value for buildings is "as is" on their existing farm site (ie not being moved off-site as an alternative to demolition).

DNRT is being asked to consider alternatives to demolition and discuss with their board.

At October 6 meeting, DHC discussed organizing interested parties to brainstorm strategies for saving the property. Appointed Bob Harding and Bob Smith to form a committee to work with DNRT.

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