

Present: Robert C. (Terry) Vose, Chair, R.Tag Carpenter, Vice-Chair, David Amory, Mark Barry, and Arthur Evans. Nicole Walters and Molly Curtin were absent. David Rodman Johnson, planner, and Susanna Sheehan of the *Duxbury Clipper* were also present.

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

Chairman Vose called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

**1. Open Forum on Proposed Revision to Bylaw #609 "Demolition of Historically Significant Buildings."**

Mr. Vose opened the forum and Mr. Carpenter led the discussion with a review of changes made to the existing bylaw and those proposed in the revised version. Mr. Johnson brought up his idea of introducing a "preservation permit" that he had brought before the Commission at a prior meeting to emphasize preservation rather than demolition. Commissioners agreed to propose changing the name of the bylaw from "Demolition of Historically..." to "Preservation of Historically..." Other changes agreed to were modifications to the "Explanation and Summary" page included in the packet of material made available for the forum. A second public forum will be held at the next DHC meeting on December 7, 2016. Mr. Vose then ended the forum.

**2. Minutes.** Minutes of the November 2, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

**3. Demolition Applications.**

a. Barn at 106 Powder Point Avenue. Mr. Vose reported that a new demolition application will be coming. It was unanimously agreed to withdraw the present Application dated October 19, 2016 and replace it with the new one once it is received.

b. 57 Josslyn Avenue. An application for partial demolition that had been considered previously has expired. The owners are now considering a total demolition and will submit a new application.

c. 375 Marshall St. Partial demoliton/addition. Commissioners voted to agree with the determination of the Building Inspector that this building is not substantial and the bylaw does not apply. The Commission was pleased the owners were not demolishing the entire structure.

**4. Historical Commission information on Town Website.** Commissioners approved the new Town website now in place that includes a summary of the work of the Commission and has links to the DHC Rules and Regulations, Bylaw #609, and the new Historic Structure Demolition Application and Applicant's Guide.

**5. Outreach.** General discussion of work that needs to be done to present the revised bylaw at the Town meeting in March 2017 if it is approved by the Planning Board and other Town officials. Mr. Barry agreed to contact Mr. Chris Skelley of the Massachusetts Historical Commission for ideas and guidance on this.

Mr. Vose distributed copies of Form H - Parks and Landscapes prepared by the Massachusetts Historical Commission for the Myles Standish House Site and Park dated December 2015 to commissioners.

**6. Adjournment.** Unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:52 PM

**New Items Received.**

1. Packet of material made available to the public regarding Bylaw #609 that included:
  - Cover sheet,
  - Copy of the existing bylaw,
  - Copy of proposed new bylaw,
  - Explanation and summary of changes sheet
2. Form H - Parks and Landscapes prepared by the Massachusetts Historical Commission for the Myles Standish House Site and Park dated December 2015

*Minutes prepared and submitted by Arthur B. Evans, Clerk*