

## DUXBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

**Minutes: March 4, 2015**

**Present:** members Robert C. (Terry) Vose, R. Tag Carpenter, Robb D'Ambruoso, Chris Tice, Nicole Walters, and Leslie Lawrence, constituting a quorum. Arthur Evans was absent.

*Note: numbering below is chronological, and does not necessarily correspond to agenda-item numbering.*

Mr. Vose called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Review of Minutes. Minutes for the January 21, 2015 and February 25, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.
2. Open Forum. By unanimous vote, the Commission deemed the Mayflower Cemetery a historic site.
3. Demolition Applications.
  - a. 105 Standish Street – *Relocation w/Partial Demolition, ca. 1810*. Chm. Vose notified the applicant on Monday (March 2) that the title search in the application was insufficient. Freeman Boynton of 47 St. George St., attended the meeting, at the behest of the builder for 105 Standish St. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission unanimously determined that the portion of the structure to be demolished (as opposed to the portion to be relocated) was not historic and not subject to the bylaw, provided that the applicant provide a full title search prior to such demolition.
  - b. 28 Chapel Street – *Partial Demolition*. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission voted 5-0, with Mr. D'Ambruoso abstaining due to a possible conflict, that the nature of the demolition is *de minimis* and therefore not subject to demolition delay.
4. Alternatives to Demolition.
  - a. 11 Sagamore Road – *Complete Demolition, 1926*. No activity.
  - b. 49 Soule Ave – *Complete Demolition, 1757*. No activity.
  - c. 184 Standish St. (*Complete Demolition, 1800*). No activity.
5. For the record, the Commission noted that a demolition delay was not imposed for the following three properties, per the Commission's last two meetings:
  - a. 46 Winsor Street – *Complete Demolition, 1935*
  - b. 301 Washington Street – *Partial Demolition, 1812*
  - c. 259 King Caesar – *Complete Demolition, 1900*
6. Conservation Commission: 685 Washington Street (Bluefish River Pier).
  - a. At 7:41 PM Chairman Vose recused himself. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the remaining Commission members unanimously approved a draft of letter opposing the proposed pier construction.
  - b. Chairman Vose Returned at 7:56.
7. 397 Washington Street (Battelle) – Status Update. No news.

8. Public Outreach Planning: Brochures, Activities – Discussion; L. Lawrence circulated model pamphlets; a suggestion was made for a special working group to meet to work on producing public outreach materials for the Commission.
9. Criteria for Determining Historic Significance - Tabled
10. Revisions to Demolition Delay Bylaw - Tabled
11. List of Infractions - Tabled
12. Plymouth 400th Anniversary Preparations – Tabled
13. Community Preservation Committee - Tabled
14. National Register Shipbuilders District. Chm. Vose noted a proposal to extend the district to include another property on Powder Point Road, the “spar soak”.
15. Local Historic District – Status Update
16. Duxbury Online Historic Archives – Status Update
17. New Business
18. The next meeting was scheduled for March 18, 2015, 7:00 p.m. (regular meeting).
19. The meeting was adjourned upon a motion, seconded and unanimously approved, at 8:34 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Robb D’Ambruoso, Clerk.

**APPROVED April 15, 2015**