

DUXBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes: May 20, 2015

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

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

Mr. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

1. Minutes. Discussion deferred.
2. Demolition Applications.
 - a. 30 Harden Hill Rd. (The Society of St. Margaret) - *Complete Demolition, 1907*. The Commission deferred discussion pending receipt of a complete (long-form) application.
3. Demolition Delay Bylaw Revisions. D. Corey (citizen in attendance) suggested that if a "significant" portion of a property is proposed to be demolished, a public hearing be mandatory. D. Amory noted that the more in advance and more prominently that meeting agendas are posted, the more likely the Commission is to receive relevant information and input from parties other than the applicant.
4. Alternatives to Demolition.
 - a. 14 Cedar Street – *Complete Demolition, 1900 – Expires October 1, 2015*. Chm. Vose reported that he had not received any feedback from the applicants.
 - b. 11 Sagamore Road – *Complete Demolition, 1926 – Expires May 20, 2015*. Chm. Vose reported that the applicant does not intend to demolish the house imminently.
 - c. 49 Soule Ave – *Complete Demolition, 1757– Expired April 18, 2015*. The applicant told Chm. Vose that she would allow him to enter the home and photograph it prior to demolition.
 - d. 46 Winsor Street – *Complete Demolition, ca. 1900 – Approved February 25, 2015*. David Corey and Sandra Breakfield noted that an agreement has not yet been signed to move the home, and expressed concern regarding adequate time to arrange to move the home before the anticipated September 2015 demolition.
5. List of Infractions – no discussion.
6. Duxbury Online Historic Archives – there will be a day when folks can bring historic items to be scanned and uploaded to online.
7. Local Historic District Committee – the meeting to pass the rules and regulations will be June 2, 2015, followed by a late-June hearing for public comment.
8. Community Preservation Committee – the Merry land purchase agreement has yet to be signed, it is pending certain survey work.
9. New Business – D. Amory noted that 459 Washington Street (the Sweetser's building) is for sale as of today. Penelope Walker, 1250 Tremont St., inquired as to the protocol for

rehabilitating the 18th century “barn” on her premises, including restoring windows that had been boarded over.

10. The next meeting was scheduled for June 17, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

11. The meeting was adjourned upon a motion, seconded and unanimously approved, at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robb D’Ambruoso, Clerk.

APPROVED June 17, 2015