

DUXBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes: February 13, 2014

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

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

1. Mr. Vose called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. Public Hearing: 7 Bay Ave application for Complete Demolition. Mr. Tim Tedeschi was the only meeting attendee in connection with this item. House was purchased by his parents in 1958; extensively renovated in 1994, but still no insulation, basement floods, windows and roof and siding get ravaged by storms. He intends to live there for the rest of his life, but wants to move the house back from the sea wall, put it on pilings, before he is elderly. New house to be smaller footprint (approx. 4,300 s.f.), no basement, cedar shakes. Chairman Vose and Mr. Carpenter explained the demolition bylaw to Mr. Tedeschi, and indicated that it was applicable because of the period style of the architecture and the fact that it was built with onsite materials. Notwithstanding the applicability of the bylaw, the Commission indicated to the applicant that it was not necessarily opposed to the demolition, and that it would tender a decision not less than ten business days hence.
3. Open Forum. No activity.
4. Demolition Applications. No new applications.
5. Myles Standish Homestead, 0 Mayflower Ave – *National Register*. Brief discussion.
6. PACTV Public Service Announcement – *PSA Day*. Brief discussion.
7. Demolition Delay Bylaw – *Guidance, Noncompliance*. Mr. Evans noted to Mr. Carpenter that he had additional comments to the draft.
8. Coordination with other Boards & Committees - *Discussion*. Chairman Vose reported on his presentation to the Board of Selectmen regarding the National Register Shipbuilders District, including the status of the proposed signage indicating the borders of the District. Chairman Vose noted that Holly Marsh attended the evening's Fin. Comm. meeting on behalf of the Historical Commission.
9. Community Preservation Act – *Status Update*. No discussion.
10. Duxbury Online Historic Archives – *Status Update*. No news to report.
11. National Register Shipbuilders District – *Status Update*. See item #8 above.
12. Local Historic District – *Status Update*. Chairman Vose noted that two buildings are in the local historic district.
13. Review Minutes of Prior Meetings. Upon a motion seconded and unanimously approved, minutes for meetings held January 16, 2014 were approved.
14. New Business. The U.S. Coast Guard has nominated Duxbury Pier Light (“Bug Light”), constructed in 1871, for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, and seeks the town’s comment. Upon a motion, seconded and unanimously approved, the Commission

enthusiastically endorsed the Coast Guard's nomination, and Chairman Vose indicated his intention to discuss the same with Dolly Bicknell of the Bug Light Committee.

15. The next meeting date was set for March 20, 2014.

16. The meeting was adjourned upon a motion, seconded and unanimously approved, at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robb D'Ambruoso, Clerk.

APPROVED March 26, 2014