

FAIRHAVEN HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES
7PM. WED JAN 4, 2017
FIRE DEPARTMENT MEETING ROOM
146 WASHINGTON STREET.

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Attending: Dave Despres, Cynthia McNaughten, Gary Lavalette, Wayne Oliveira, Vicki Paquette, Deb Charpentier.

Previous minutes read by Mr. Despres and accepted on a motion by Mr. Lavalette, seconded by Mr. Oliveira.

Financial report read by Mr. Despres and accepted on a motion by Mr. Oliveira/Ms. Paquette.

Academy building report: Mr. Despres reported that the CPC has suggested the possibility of splitting the proposed accessibility project into two phases. A discussion ensued with everyone agreeing that the second form of egress is a life safety issue. The first phase would be the north side entrance and ramp, while phase two would be the south entrance rebuild. Mr. Despres will be meeting with the CPC on Jan 19th.

Fire Museum report: Mr. Oliveira will address with the contractor the continuing issue with the second floor windows. The possibility of adding storm windows was also discussed.

Fort Phoenix report: Mr. Despres reports that Clearwater Architects has a contractor that is interested in the parapet project, more details to follow later this spring. Mr. Lavalette reports that DPW hasn't installed the new lighting yet.

Old Stone School: nothing to report.

House Plaques/historical markers: Mrs. Mcnaughten recommended that the Commission visit the Water St. area in order to define the locations for the proposed plaques outlining the history of the waterfront. Mr. Oliveira raised the idea of plaques with photographs as are seen in New Bedford.

Demo Delay bylaw: Mr. Despres and Mr. Lavalette attended a meeting of the Planning Board to discuss the proposal. The PB suggested developing a list of properties that would be preferably preserved prior to implementing the bylaw. Mr. Lavalette provided information showing that there are over 1.6k structures in Town over 75 years old. There are some 300 properties already listed on the Cultural Resource list. Mr. Despres has reached out to Mr. Brady of the Bell Committee as to any members that would like to join the Commission in this project.

Bell Committee: the BC member was unable to attend.

Annual report: Mr. Despres read the Annual Report which was accepted on a motion by Mr. Lavalette/Ms. Paquette.

F/Y 2018 budget: Mr. Despres proposed a budget of \$11,750 which was discussed and then accepted on a motion by Mr. Oliveira/Mr. Lavalette. Mr. Despres will present the budget to Mr. Rees and Town finance officials on Jan 12th.

Oxford School: Mr. Despres read a letter of support for a rehab tax credit for the developers of the Oxford School. The letter was accepted on a motion by Mrs. McNaughten/Ms. Paquette.

Next meeting: Wed. Feb 8, 2017 7pm FFD