

## Georgetown Historical Commission

### Minutes – 1/12/16

#### Attending

Ed Desjardin, Chair  
James Davenport  
Derek Richards  
Joe Knapp  
Gloria Swanbon

Tony Franciosa, Contractor  
2 Tenney St. Property

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The pending contractor of the 2 Tenney St. property attended to discuss with the Commission his request for demolition of all buildings on the property.

The Commission discussed the discrepancies and confusion in the application(s) for demolition. Discrepancies in the applications involve the acreage and footage of boundary lines. There are currently 2 applications as requested; one for the house and one for the barn and garage. In question is the lack of signature or official signature. Mr. Franciosa is not the owner; there are 2 executors of the estate being represented by a local attorney.

The Commission had previously communicated with the Building Inspector a request for clarification of the following:

- Legal confirmation of the signature and authorization to act and demolish the buildings
- Clarification of the differences in the acreage and boundary lines

A letter from Evans Associates, the law firm representing the executors of the estate, was reviewed which stated it had granted authorization to Tony Franciosa on behalf of the estate to apply for all necessary permits to move forward with the project.

The Chairman reported that he had been in contact with the Massachusetts Historical Commission requesting a review of the property and the area known as the Marlboro Area to determine if it met criteria for preservation. If the property is eligible for the National Registry, there are waivers from modern building codes available to anyone interested in renovation vs demolition? The State has agreed to a review at its next meeting scheduled in one week. Many documents and photographs have been sent to them.

Mr. Franciosa stated he would not be interested in restoration of the house but would be willing to separate that portion of the property and sell it to an interested party.

The Commission agreed to defer any further action until the state review.

The Commission and the contractor agreed to the following;

- Mr. Franciosa would continue meetings with the Planning Board for development off the property

- He would start with the road including demolition of the barn and garage
- He would leave the house until the state review and determination of whether a 6 month delay on demolition would be voted by the Commission
- He would resubmit an application with the corrected information

**Other Agenda Items**

In view of the storm the Commission agreed to defer other agenda items to the next meeting.

A meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, 1/26/16 at 7 pm

Motion to adjourn at 8:30pm made by James, seconded by Derek. All were in favor.

Submitted by  
Gloria Swanbon