

TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS



**GREAT BARRINGTON DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes from August 15th, 2013**

Selectman's Meeting Room - Town Hall

6:30 pm

Attendees-

Holly Troiano, Chairman

Daniel Bailly, Vice-Chairman

James Mercer, Member

Barbara Syer, Member

Donald Howe, Secretary

Not Present- Marilyn Kalish, Alternate

Visitor- Joe Sokul, DPW Superintendent

Meeting opened and called to order by Chairman Troiano at 6:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by James Mercer to approve the minutes from July 18th, 2013 public meeting with a Second by Barbara Syer. All present voted in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

MASON LIBRARY – Cupola and Roof Repairs

Motion made by Barbara Syer to open the public hearing with a second by Dan Bailly. All present voted in favor. Chairman Troiano confirmed that the Advertising of the Public Hearing had been in the Berkshire Record for two consecutive weeks.

Joe Sokul presented the proposal for repair of the base of the Library's Cupola and Flashing as prepared by Green & Robinson Inc. Work includes removal of rotten wood and replacement with synthetic materials in the same profiles along with flashing replacement. The Town has used similar methods during the Front Entrance Repairs and found this method to be very satisfactory.

Motion made by Dan Bailly to close the public hearing with a second by Barbara Syer. All present voted in favor.

Motion made by Barbara Syer that the repairs proposed were appropriate and should be approved with a second by Dan Bailly. Troiano, Bailly, Mercer, Syer and Howe voted in favor and the motion was approved.

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Railway Tunnel Signage

Motion made by Dan Bailly to open the public hearing with a second by Barbara Syer. All present voted in favor. Chairman Troiano confirmed that the Advertising of the Public Hearing had been in the Berkshire Record for two consecutive weeks.

Joe Sokul presented the proposed replacement of signage for the Railway Tunnel Building. This follows the presentations by Paul Ivory for the replacement of the existing sign which fell down.

Motion made by Barbara Syer to close the public hearing with a second by Dan Bailly. All present voted in favor.

Motion made by Barbara Syer that the proposed replacement sign was appropriate and should be approved with a second by Dan Bailly. Troiano, Bailly, Mercer, Syer and Howe voted in favor and the motion was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Historic Marker Program

Paul Ivory is processing the Comments from the Historical Commission. The Commission meets at the beginning of September.

NEW BUSINESS

Joe Sokul reviewed the following General Items which were of interest to this Commission.

Tunnel Building is now owned by the Town and Repairs are anticipated in the future as Capital Repairs in next year's budget.

Tunnel Structural Repairs are a future item as the option of restored passenger service is possible. The entrance at the Town Hall side will have paint removed.

Spring 2014 is the current estimated starting date of Main Street Improvements. The September 4th meeting of the Selectmen will accept easements from the property owners. The Town will plow and maintain the Main Street sidewalks.


Motion to adjourn by Barbara Syer
Second by Daniel Bailly
All present voted in favor

Next HDC meeting is scheduled for September 19th, 2013 at 6:30 pm.

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Respectfully submitted by,


Donald V. Howe, Secretary