HARVARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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The Harvard Historical Commission is chartered "...to preserve and protect the historic assets of Harvard, its buildings, structures, places, sites, and surrounding settings of historical or architectural significance."

Following are the minutes for the regular meeting of the Harvard Historical Commission at the Hildreth House, 15 Elm Street, on May 11, 2016 at 7PM.

TOPICS: TIME CALL TO ORDER attending, Pam Marston, Rick, David, Sherry and Moe, a member of the public George Watkins 7:03 **ATTENDANCE** (Appoint Alternate Commissioners as necessary) REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING Pam makes motion to accept minutes as amended, all in favor 7.07 PUBLIC HEARING: 74 Shaker Road. Add/Replace Doors, Repair Screen Porch, Pam makes motion to open public 7:15 hearing, Rick seconds, all in favor. George Watkins is a neighbor and is here as a member of the public. Marc is going over the design changes about the project. Marc will be repairing the front stoop with wood decking material. David was asking about the posts and windows how they are changing, the beams will be reinforced, painted the same color as the house, screen and poly carbonate panel will be installed for Fall/Winter use. Marc is talking about the cement slab with the old stones are going to be repaired to hold the load and get past the frost line. The door in the back shed will be raised another 3 inches to allow for better head clearance, custom door will be same design as currently existing. Public is asked if there are questions, Moe closes public hearing. David makes motion to accept the changes as applied, Pam seconds, all in favor. NEW APPLICATIONS 74 Shaker Road. Application of non-applicability to install garden fence – some discussion about the fence and location, the fence is temporary around the garden to keep the rabbits out, not applicable. Pam, makes motion to move this is a non-applicable application, David seconded it, all in favor. 7:12 Joseph Schmidt—Request on Behalf of Lions Club to discuss replacing benches on Town Common – Joe is talking 7:37 about putting a granite bench as a memorial for Bill Hazel at the opening near the Bromfield driveway, removing boulders and replacing with the granite benches and making it wheelchair accessible platforms. Mr. Schmidt has gone to the Bromfield Trust who has given their okay to install the benches. Mr. Schmidt will also be going to the BOS, Library trustees, park and rec for their approval. Moe tells Joe an application for appropriateness will be needed because it's a substantial changes and approval from the other boards is necessary for approval.

Town common benches will be replaced with composite material but look the same. Moe is telling Joe he needs to go to other boards to get their approval to replace the benches with the material, when that is done, a certificate of non-applicability will be issued.

Joe Bongiardina—Request for Advocate on building fence to screen items in yard. Moe is explaining what Mr. 8:00 Bogiardina wants to do to hide some air ducts in his yard. David was asked by Moe if he would be the advocate to this resident to help him with his needs. Moe thinks it will require a certificate of applicability, but David will go to check it out and help the resident decide and how to fill out the paperwork, if needed.

CHAIR'S TIME: None Scheduled Correspondence: Nothing Received

ON-GOING BUSINESS:

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS:

Historic House Marker Program (PM): Status

8:00

Other BUSINESS:

Review Design Guidelines.- Pam made revisions, Sherry made revisions, and Joe Therioult made changes 8:20 previously, Moe has talked about they are very wordy and hard to understand. Pam is showing what Mass Historical Commission Guidelines has for certificate of non-applicability or certificate of appropriateness. Discussion about the language, and what to take out and leave in to make it more clear. Moe is suggesting the Board should know more about the non-applicability certificates will be issued. Minor additions and changes were made to both Pam and Sherry's draft of changes. Moe will make changes and we can vote on next meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' TIME: (To exchange ideas, concerns, items of interest, and problems)

8:50

SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: June 1, 2016

ADJOURNMENT Pam makes motion to adjourn, David seconds, all in favor

9:04

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY, SHERRY GRAHAM, COMMISSIONER

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