

NORTHBOROUGH HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting of October 20, 2010

Present

Historic Commission: Norm Corbin, Russ Jones, Marie Nieber, Stephen Anderson, Don Haitsma and Stephanie Stockman.

Guests: Mr. John Hanna, Mr. Scott Lutke

Meeting called to order by chairman at 7:05 PM.

Approval of Minutes

- A motion was made by S.Anderson and second by D. Haitsma to accept the minutes of the September 15th 2010 meeting. Motion passed unanimously
- A motion was made by D. Haitsma and second by M.Nieber to accept the minutes of the October 6th 2010 meeting. Motion passed unanimously

Demolition at 192 Ball Street

Mr. John Hanna reviewed his interest in purchasing the property at 192 Ball Street if a demolition permit was granted. Since the property is older than 100yrs, it was determined that a public hearing is necessary for determination of "historical significance". The public hearing is scheduled for October 28th in the Town Hall at 7:00.

National Historic Registration.

Mr. Scott Lutke has interest in pursuing National Historic Registration for his property at 264 Church Street. He reviewed the letter from the Mass. Hist. Comm. (MHC) requesting additional information about his home and old school houses in Northborough. The Northborough Historic Commission supplied him with additional information and will send him via E-mail the Phase-I inventory report.

The MHC has forwarded responses to the request by the Northborough Historical Commission for an "Opinion of Eligibility" regarding 4 properties (Howard Street Burial Ground, Mary Goodnow Grave Site, Gale Library and Northborough Hist. Soc. / Baptist Church building). In all cases they are requesting additional information. S. Stockman will follow-up regarding the Howard Street Cemetery. N.Corbin will follow-up regarding the Library and the Hist. Soc. Building. The Mary Goodnow site is on hold at this time.

Mitigation for Patty Lane and Main Street reconfiguration

The Library Trustees prefer that if a plaque is installed on the library grounds that it is in reference to the library. A motion was made by M. Neiber and second by N.Corbin to relocate the plaque regarding the Old Boston Post Road to another town owned property on Main Street in the downtown area. The NHC requests that the location be proposed by the DPW and reviewed by us prior to the final decision. The motion passed unanimously

Funding Request

The focus was on CPA funding request initiated by the NHC. Five projects were identified for consideration. Additional information is needed prior to making the final decisions. The five projects and next steps are:

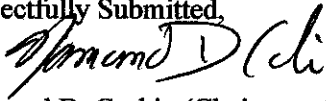
- Banked Funds, need to review prior years requests and plans for usage
- John Brigham Mill Site plaque, need to determine location, sign design and text, (M.Nieber will follow-up)

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- Preservation of the Library stained glass windows, need confirmation of interest by the Library Director, (N.Corbin will follow-up)
- Plaque for Mr. Cyrus Gale, need confirmation of interest by the Library Director, (N.Corbin will follow-up)
- Preservation of the Church Street bridge over Cold Harbor Brook, (D.Haitsma will follow-up)

At 8:45 PM, a motion was made by D. Haitsma and seconded by S.Anderson to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Normand D. Corbin".

Normand D. Corbin (Chairman, Secretary Pro Tem)