

NORTHBOROUGH HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Public Hearing and Monthly Meeting Minutes
Wednesday April 26, 2016
Conference Room C (The Kitchen)
63 Main St, Northborough

Present: Norm Corbin, Ben Davies, Amy White, Leslie Harrison, Bob Ellis, and Stephanie Stockman

Alternates: Brian Smith

Guests: Representatives from 25 West Main St, George Pember, Dick Boutillier, and Gordon Hart

Public Hearing for the Demolition of 25 West Main Street

The Vice Chairman called the public hearing to order at 7:05.

25 West Main St.

- Located in the building will be
 - a wedding boutique and a doctor's office
- The addition needs to be demolished.
 - The front of the building will remain intact.
- Leslie and Norm walked through it. They stated that it is well delineated from the new section to the old section.
- The new addition will be ranch style 75' x 30', and this will be the location of the doctor's office.
- There will be a 14 space parking lot with easier exit, and cars will be able to exit onto Gale Street.
- An Engineer did a site walk to make sure the historic part can stay intact.
- Norm Corbin made a motion that the demolition at 25 West Main Street is on the newer section that was built within the last 50 years. The demolition permit can be activated. We thank the owners for saving the old section of the building. It was seconded by Amy White and it passed unanimously.

Amy White made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:15, and Leslie Harrison seconded the motion. It was accepted unanimously.

Monthly Meeting

Chairman called the monthly meeting to order at 7:15

Agenda

- Unitarian Church CPA Funding Request, Historical Preservation Restriction
 - George Pember, Dick ?, and Gordon ?
 - Restrictions are all on the exterior
 - The NHDC is previewing a copy of the preservation restriction agreement between the Unitarian Church and Town of Northborough.
- Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - Leslie Harrison made a motion to accept the March 23, 2016 meeting minutes. Amy White seconded the motion, and it was accepted unanimously.
 - Leslie Harrison made a motion to accept the April 6, 2016 meeting minutes. Amy White seconded the motion, and it was accepted unanimously.
- White Cliffs CPA Request update
 - 80 signs - \$930.00 donated
 - Michael Durkin - \$220.00 donated for signs
 - Website and twitter account were set up by Amy Poretsky
 - The appraisal for White Cliffs came in at 1.82 million dollars.
 - The La Cava family wanted \$5,000.00 for the month of April. There was an anonymous donor who donated the \$5,000.00.
 - Information Sheets continue to be passed out.
- Cemetery Signs Update
 - Leslie asked about the longevity of the signs. She was told they should last approximately 10 years. The cast signs from Expose are guaranteed for life.
 - The Peter Whitney sign is up.
 - Amy will review the file on the Chapinville and Assabettville signs.
 - Norm would like to know the size of the signs.
- 250th celebration update
 - Website has the town events
 - The trolley ride is on May 15th.
- Adjournment
 - Amy White made a motion to adjourn. Norm Corbin seconded the motion, and it was accepted unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Stockman

