

STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of re-scheduled March 2, 2017

Members present: Dot Spaulding-DS, Patrick Hopkins-PH, Marilyn Zavorski-MZ,

Rosemary Bawn-RB, Vellyn Antonelli-VA-*absent- quorum present*

Assoc. Members present: Lew Halprin, Barbara Clancy, Andy Crosby, Margaret Barry

Others present: Sharon Brownfield-Lent, Mike Busch, Atli Thorarensen, Liz Moseley

Meeting convened at 7:30 pm.

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm.

Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the re-scheduled Feb 16, 2017 meeting were approved.

Motion to approve was made by PH; seconded by DS/unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: No change.

Building Permits: None available.

(PAST) Public Archaeology Survey Team: No correspondence.

Randall Library Restoration: The library restoration warrant article approval request was continued from the Feb. 16 meeting. Sharon Brownfield-Lent attended as a representative of the Randall Library, and Liz Moseley attended as the SHS member who had inventoried the Whitney Historical Room's walls, glass bookcases and glass display cases. Several Commission members had solicited preliminary estimates for the protection, removal, storage and return of the inventoried items so that a reasonable estimated cost could be added to the library restoration warrant for that purpose. A discussion followed regarding whether or not the Whitney room would go back as it was after the restoration was completed. Ms. Brownfield-Lent could not provide all the answers to the Commission questions. The Commission members felt unable to take a vote at this meeting. The Commission members agreed to come up with a mission statement to make clear where they stand on the library restoration, which includes the Whitney Room. An agreement was reached to hold an informal meeting at the library between two Commission members and the library director, along with the library representatives, at the beginning of next week. A special Historical Commission meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, March 9, 2017 for a vote before the Community Preservation Commission meeting on Monday, March 13, 2017.

West School: Closed.

Old & New Business: Dot shared an email from Peter Brown from the Stow Acres Golf Course about a future historic restoration at the clubhouse/Randall House. Dot will see about inviting him to come to the April meeting.

Correspondence: none.

The next special meeting is March 9, 2017 at 7:30 in the Town Building.

The next regular meeting is April 6, 2017 at 7:30 in the Town Building.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm. Motion to adjourn by MZ; and seconded by PH; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

