

MINUTES: HISTORICAL COMMISSION

December 2, 2015 @Town Hall

Members present: Barbara Search, Penny McCreary, William Smith, Sandra Fallon

Absent Member: Richard Volpe

Also in Attendance: Arnold Wilson, James Zauistoski, Chris Wilson, Robert Brier *Briere*

Meeting opened at 6:10pm.

1. Review of minutes from the meeting of November 5, 2015
2. Meeting began with a discussion of Inventory and what are the historical places in Sturbridge. The Exhibition Hall was discussed as being in the inventory in 1972.
3. Discussion in regard to the determination of how a structure is placed on the registry and may not be within the current historical district. Questions and discussion in regard to what is the Gateway District and the Historical District, what are the current boundaries.
4. What is the responsibility of the Building Inspector in the process of determination with regard to response to applicants for demolition and the role of the Historical Commission in a significant structure? Demolition Delay Bylaw was given out that goes over the process and procedure of preserving and protecting a significant building and structure.
5. In regard to what to look for in determining a significant structure or building the property needs to be important to the history of the town and what is the relevance of this history overall.
6. It was determined that training is needed for the Commission to understand thoroughly what they are looking at and how to determine what the final outcome needs to be.

December 8, 2015 Charter Review Committee for meeting

December 15, 2015 Public Hearing @Town Hall 6:35

December 16, 2015 @Town Hall Training for Historical Commission 5:30

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Recorded: Sandra Fallon

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2. The conservation of the GAR flag Post 173 at a cost of \$10,150.

This motion was seconded by Barbara Search and unanimously approved by the Committee.

Meeting adjourned: 7:55 p.m.

Next meeting set for January 28, 2016 at 6 p.m.