

SWAMPSCOTT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

JULY 10, 2012

7:00 PM

22 Monument Avenue, Swampscott Town Hall, First Floor Conference Room

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT:</u>	Susan Post Munafo; Sylvia Belkin; Merry Glosband; Jason Mahler; Jean Reardon; and Richard Smith
<u>OTHERS PRESENT:</u>	Duncan Maitland and Douglas Maitland
<u>MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:</u>	7:09 PM
<u>READ AND APPROVE MINUTES:</u>	Minutes of June 21, 2012 meeting approved unanimously with edits.
<u>TREASURER'S REPORT:</u>	The Commission's budget for FY 2013 is \$1,500.00
<u>LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE UPDATE:</u>	The Committee met with Chris Skelly of Mass Historic on June 27, 2012 and walked through the Town. Chris presented as to local historic district commission procedures, and advocated spending time on community education. Glen Kessler is the representative from the Board of Selectmen that will sit on the Committee.
<u>HISTORICAL COMMISSION MISSION STATEMENT:</u>	The Commission reviewed a draft mission statement, and discussed edits. Susan will distribute a revised version prior to the next meeting.
<u>GOALS FOR FY 2013/REVIEW OF MHC STATE PLAN:</u>	<p>The Commission discussed the following preliminary FY 2013 goals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Establish how the Commission fits into the Town's zoning planning process;2) Identify preservation alternatives for at-risk buildings, including (but not limited to) the train station, Machon, Hadley, the current police station, old senior building, and the Greenwood Avenue school;3) Actively participate in the Master Plan review process;

	<p>4) Continue inventory of historical properties;</p> <p>5) Establish relationships with statewide historic preservation organizations;</p> <p>6) Consider ways to make preservation bylaw more effective;</p> <p>7) Research and educate ourselves and the community as to technical and financial resources available for historic preservation; and</p> <p>8) Educate the community as to the importance of historic preservation.</p> <p>The Commission agreed to further discuss these goals, and determine appropriate objectives for implementing these goals.</p>
<u>INVENTORY:</u>	Susan raised the question as to whether an RFP needs to be issued before the Commission begins inventory process.
<u>TRAILS AND SAILS:</u>	The Commission further discussed having an actor portray Elihu Thompson and speak at the Town Hall, and associated finances.
<u>OLD/NEW BUSINESS:</u>	<p>1) The Board of Selectmen established an Open Space and Recreation Plan Committee. The Board has asked a member of the Commission to join the Committee. The Committee's first meeting is August 7, 2012.</p> <p>2) Next Meeting, July 24.</p>
<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>	9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jason A. Mahler
Secretary