

Minutes
WHDC Meeting
October 15, 2015

Members present: Alice Boelter (presiding), Margery Baston, Marji Ford, Kate Finlayson, Desmond McAuley, Kathie Steinberg

Others: Carter Williams (architect for 47 Old Sudbury Road), Carrie Lapp (homeowner, 47 Old Sudbury Road), Jane Sciacca, Bob Mainer, Kate Jenney, Woody Baston, Richard Turner

1) Public Comment: There was none.

2) 7:30 pm - Public Hearing. The Rev. Josiah Bridge House, 47 Old Sudbury Road. The architect, Carter Williams, said that they were only considering paint color changes right now. They will be back with another application later concerning other work including damaged shutters and porch supports. They would like to change the siding color to Coventry Gray (HC-169). Their second choice is Windham cream (HC 6). They would like to go with black shutters and a cottage red for the front door. Desmond commented on the nice color range. He then asked. "What historically was the color of the house - as it may be very close to the cream color you have." The architect and owner did not know. Desmond asked if the clapboards were original but the Architect and homeowner did not think so. Carrie said Gretchen Schuler will be sending an assessment of the house. Desmond asked about the state of the gutters and if they were wood. These have not yet been evaluated. Kathie asked about the trim on the house; and if it would require repair. Carrie answered that some windows were in poor shape. Desmond noted that the current work is designed to stabilize the house for the winter and that other work would be proposed to the WHDC later (with additional projects). Kathie moved that we approve colors, the white trim, the black shutters, the cottage red door, and body to be decided by the owner between the two colors Coventry gray or Windham cream. This motion received a unanimous, favorable vote. (6-0-0) This was followed by a favorable, unanimous vote to close the hearing (6-0-0)

3) 7:50 pm - Public Hearing. Grout-Heard House Museum, 12 Cochituate Road. New Sign. Alice Boelter and Margery Baston recused themselves as they are members of the Wayland Historical Society Board of Managers. Kathie Steinberg served as acting chair and Marji Ford took minutes. With the first informal proposal for a sign having been shared with the HDC about a year ago, Kate Jenney from the Wayland Historical Society (WHS) made a new presentation for an updated sign. Kate also introduced WHS members Jane Sciacca and Bob Mainer. Kate explained that the sign would be made by Old Colony Artisans out of Wiscasset, Maine. Bob Leonard, head of Old Colony Artisans, has created signs for many historical societies. The sign's 4"x 4", cedar post will come from Walpole Woodworkers; it will be an 11-foot post with a beveled top. Three feet of the post will be buried in the ground. There will be a wrought iron hanger. The sign will be made of MDO (medium density overlay). The color of the sign will be the same as the trim on the GHH Museum. The wavy lines at the bottom of sign are

supposed to indicate the Sudbury River. The application showed three lines but there will be only two. The paint color for the sign is Benjamin Moore Salem white. Desmond asked about fastening the detachable signs and whether eyelets would be used; and the response was affirmative. The sign will be aligned with northwest corner of house; and placed 15 feet from the property line along Cochituate Road. The size of the sign is 30 inches by 40 inches. The sign will be ¾-inch thick. Desmond asked if the sign would be hung from the iron bracket to which the answer was. "Yes." Desmond thought the design of the sign was very appropriate. Marji moved that the HDC approve the sign for the Wayland Museum and Historical Society as presented. The HDC approved the design, shape, coloring and lettering of the sign. The HDC asked that the Historical Society Board return to tell the HDC informally about the type of lighting and wattage which is selected to display the sign at night. The motion received a unanimous, favorable vote from those members voting. (4-0-0) The hearing was closed at 8:15 pm.

4) 8:15 pm - Public Hearing. Depot Parking Lot, 1 Cochituate Road regarding the Rail-trail through or around parking area. There was a lengthy, informal discussion by HDC members of the various options for a trail through the Depot parking lot, of the materials to be used for the trail, and more. Margery spoke favorably of an option presented by Kevin Dandrade that was an alternative to Option 1. Desmond suggested that a landscape designer should be involved in this process. There was a motion to continue the hearing until November 19 at 8 pm. All were in favor. (6-0-0)

5) Library Trustees Report. Presentation of STM article relative to library expansion or relocation. No trustee was available at the meeting to speak on this subject; but a trustee may attend our next HDC meeting.

6) Minutes of September 17, 2015 Meeting were approved as amended. (5-0-0)

7) Other business not anticipated prior to meeting. There was none.

8) The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Margery Baston