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TOWN CLERK

May 2, 2001 - Regular Meeting of the Wellfleet Historical Commission (WHC)

Paul Fox, chairman, opened the official meeting at 4:04 PM with members Janet Erickson, Clarence Smith, and Eugene Cormier, in attendance.

The minutes of the April 4, 2001 meeting were read and accepted unanimously.

Correspondence

The correspondence received in April was reported by Paul and briefly reviewed for action and/or information only.

1. Letter from the "Association for the Preservation of Cape Cod, Inc." dated April 9th, re: a conference titled Seeking Growth Solutions for Cape Cod, on May 8th at the Cape Cod Community College starting with registration at 8:30 AM. (Registration form is available for anyone wishing to attend).
2. Brochure from "Historic Massachusetts, 45 School Street, Boston, MA 02108 re: 2001- Massachusetts' Ten Most Endangered Historic Resources Nomination Form. (A nomination form is provided for saving buildings in historic districts that are being threatened).
3. Newsletter Cape Cod Commission Reporter, dated April 26, 2001, re: "Celebrate the Sea on May 12 - 20," giving a brief explanation of the events planned for that week. (See Correspondence item number 8).
4. Newsletter Cape Cod Commission Reporter, dated April 12, 2001, re: "Historic Map/Brochure of Route 6A - Old King's Highway." (If copies are desired, call The Cape Cod Commission Office at (508) 362 - 3828).
5. Letter from The Cape Cod Commission dated April 12, 2001, re: Historic Properties Working Group organizational meeting on May 10, 2001, at 2 PM, at the Cape Cod Commission Office. This group is interested in looking at ways the Cape Cod Commission can use its review process to help communities considering National Register designations.
6. Letter from National Park Service, signed by Maria Burks, dated April 17, 2001, re: Cape Cod National Seashore zoning standards regulations, and "Wellfleet Focus Group." The meeting of this focus group is on April 26, 2001 from 7 - 9 PM at the Wellfleet Library. (The goal is to standardize the zoning regulations of the 5 affected towns)
7. Letter from National Park Service with report titled "Private Lands/Zoning Seashore Standards was included." "Appendix A: "Cape Cod National Seashore Zoning Standards" is attached. (Copies will be available for WHC members as desired).
8. Poster and brochures from The Cape Cod Commission re: "The Eighth Annual Cape Cod Maritime Days, May 12 - 20, 2001.

Old Business

Paul reported on his revisit and review of the Pride in Our Schools project with Alan Coriaty, the Wellfleet Elementary School Principal. Mr. Coriaty would prefer a "free

standing" display case for presenting the historical school events, and has cleared the proposed approach with the fire department to ensure that placement of the case would not impede any required evacuations. Mr. Coriaty chose a "free standing" case; WHC now needs the money, (approximately \$450.00), to purchase the case.

The Monuments and Cemeteries subcommittee reported that they had not yet obtained any comparison cost-estimates from additional printers/publishers for publishing and printing the Monuments and Memorials brochures.

New Business

The Commission assignments for year 2001 were addressed. The members voted, after some discussion, to have the officers remain the same until January 2002.

The schedule of meetings for 2001 was also discussed. The members, based upon previous experience, voted to not hold regular meetings during the months of July and August. The regular meetings would resume on the first Wednesday of each month starting in September.

The town officials have tended a preliminary offer to purchase the Catholic Church and associated parking lot and have scheduled a June 25th, town meeting to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the funds to support the purchase. Therefore, the question of WHC's involvement in the future of the Catholic Church as a historical building was re-addressed. During the ensuing discussion, the question of whether the Wellfleet central district has been previously designated/accepted as a National Historic District was raised as an action. In the meanwhile, the Wellfleet Building Needs Committee has scheduled a "walk-thru" of the Church on May 7th to explore the condition of the building and get an idea of required repairs. Paul, as chairman of the WHC, has been invited to attend the "walk-thru".

Richard Dickey has been appointed as a new member of the WHC, replacing Marion Parkinson, who decided not to apply for another term when her appointment expired last June.

Paul reported on the repair of the Wellfleet Harbor plaque on the rock in front of the Town Hall parking lot. The Department of Public Works, (DPW), personnel removed, restored, and replaced the plaque in response to WHC's letter to the Town Administrator requesting repair.

Having no other business before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM. The next regular meeting will be held on June 6, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Cormier
EFC, Clerk/Secretary