



MENDON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Meeting Date	November 1, 2016 at 7pm
Location	Old Taft Library
Status	Approved

Present

Don Colanton, Kathy Schofield, Mike Goddard, Richard Skinner and Bill Ambrosino

7:10 Call to Order

Mike Goddard called the meeting to order.

7:15 Demolition Plan Review for 29 Hastings Street

The property owner of 29 Hastings Street attended the meeting to discuss the demolition permit request for 29 Hastings Street. Members discussed the complications that arose due to the fact that the process as outlined in the bylaw was not followed. Mr. Ambrosino apologized for the manner in which it was handled. Due to the lack of a quorum the Commission was unable to vote on acceptance of the demolition permit request. Based on the condition of the house following the unauthorized fire drill the Commission members expressed that there were few options left other than to allow the demolition. Mr. Goddard explained that the Commission would conduct a formal vote at their next meeting.

7:25 Meeting with Mr. Skinner on Town Office Sign Restoration

Mr. Skinner attended the meeting to discuss an old Town Offices sign that was found in the salt shed. The salt shed which was at the rear of the Police Station has been taken apart to provide additional parking on the campus lot. He brought photographs of the sign and asked if the Commission was interested in having the sign refurbished. The members suggested he bring it in to look at its condition. Mike suggested he come to the next meeting so that all members could view it and decide what to do with it.

The Commission thanked Mr. Skinner for coming in and his ongoing interest in preservation projects.

7:35 Review Meeting Minutes

October Meeting Minutes were not reviewed.

7:45 Review of Commission Appointments

The group discussed current membership, new appointments and future plans of the existing members. It was decided that we discuss positions at greater length when all members are present at the next meeting.

7:50 Miscoe Springs

The group discussed the need to have Kim Newmann attend a meeting with Mr. Wheeler to discuss the future of the Miscoe Springs building. Kathy will contact Mr. Wheeler and Kim to schedule a meeting.

8:05 Local Historic District Study Update

The LHDSC went door to door to talk to people in the proposed district and to invite them to an informational meeting. They have a community meeting scheduled for November 16th. They have recruited Janice Moors to the committee and have set up a LHDSC facebook page.

8:10 Progress Reports Open Projects

The Old Cemetery phase 1 work is completed and we are waiting for the documentation from Kai Nalenz. Jane, Amy and Kathy are meeting with a historian interested in preparing the nomination for the Olney Cook Shop. Kathy is

working with Anne Mazar and the CPC to determine funding for the nomination process. The Historic Plaque Program has had 10 applications and the members of the Historical Society are working to confirm dates before they are submitted them for production

8:20 pm Adjourn

Don moved to adjourn the meeting. Kathy seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of adjourning.