

MINUTES

**Barnstable Historical Commission
Town Hall
367 Main Street, Hyannis
Growth Management Conference Room – 3rd Floor
4:00pm – June 07, 2011**

Members Present: Chairman Barbara Flinn, Nancy Clark, George Jessop, Len Gobeil, Marilyn Fifield

Members Absent: Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Nancy Shoemaker

Staff: Jo Anne Buntich, Director GMD, Marylou Fair, Administrative Assistant

Acting under the provisions of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, Protection of Historic Properties, ss 112-1 through 112-7, you are hereby notified that the Historical Commission held a **PUBLIC HEARING** on the following Intent to Demolish Application, and Chairman Flinn called the Meeting to order at 4:03pm.

Cahoon Museum, 4676 Falmouth Road, Cotuit, Map 010, Parcel 008-001

Partial Demolition, Inventoried, Circa 1782; **contributing building in a National Register Historic District (Santuit)**; Represented by Steve Cook, Cotuit Bay Design, LLC & Members of the Museum Building Committee

Mr. Cook noted that at its meeting of May 17, 2011, this Commission found the building to be significant and referred the application to a Public Hearing. He also stated that he conveyed Commissioners' comments made at the Informal Meeting of April 21, 2011 to Sarah Korjeff at the Cape Cod Commission for her opinion, which was forwarded to staff in a memo dated May 09, 2011.

One of the concerns was the loss of the corner board on the back corner of the building, and Mr. Cook submitted revised plans dated 5/17/2011 which now show the corner board by joggling the addition in approximately 10" and pushing it back 18". George Jessop and Nancy Clark commented that this works much better and truly identifies the other elements.

George Jessop asked if any consideration was made to moving the elevator and the stairs closer to the gallery, and Steve Cook noted that this will not work because the elevator needs to access the second floor of the existing building, and they wished it to be hidden by the original portion of the building.

Commissioners also expressed their concern regarding the location of the handicap parking, as entrance to the building will require an uphill ramp.

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by George Jessop, that the Commission refer the applicant to the Cape Cod Commission for DRI review, as this is a contributing building in a National Register Historic District (Santuit) with substantial alterations proposed in the plans dated 5/17/2011.

So Voted Unanimously

The following applications for Intent to Demolish or Relocate were filed with the Commission. The Commission is required to decide on an **initial basis**, (within 7 working days of receipt of application), whether or not the building is historically or architecturally significant and, if so, hold a public hearing

Modified Demolition Applications Filed

Cahoon Museum, 4676 Falmouth Road, Cotuit, Map 010, Parcel 008-001
Demolition of Existing Detached Garage

Represented by Steve Cook, Cotuit Bay Design, LLC

Steve Cook described the building as a one-car garage that is currently used for storage. The existing location is proposed for alterations to the driveway, with parking spaces added for staff. Mr. Cook stated that the garage was built in 1945. George Jessop asked if any attempt has been made to move the garage or to find another location on the property. Steve Cook confirmed he has spoken to Bob Hayden Movers to see if it can be moved or if it would be worth anything to someone, and is awaiting a response.

Motion duly made by Len Gobeil and seconded by Nancy Clark that this Commission finds that the building is not historically or architecturally significant and recommends demolition or relocation.

So Voted Unanimously

Demolition Applications Filed

Michelsen, Franklin, 206 School Street, Cotuit, Map 020, Parcel 140

Partial Demolition, Inventoried, Built 1904

Represented by Tim Peirson

Mr. Peirson explained that the owner wishes to construct an addition at the rear of the house to add more living space, approximately 600 square feet. Addition will be 15' x 26' within the roof lines of the back of the house and will be constructed straight off the back, and design will mirror what exists currently. A discussion took place as to the possibility that the proposed addition is to be added to a previous addition. Although this is a possibility, a definite age of this portion of the structure could not be confirmed, with the consensus that this is perhaps a newer addition and not over 75 years of age.

Motion duly made by George Jessop and seconded by Len Gobeil that this Commission finds that the portion of the structure to be added onto is not historically or architecturally significant and recommends partial demolition.

So Voted Unanimously

CPA / Updates

CPA Update – Marilyn Fifield

Marilyn Fifield reported that Town Council recently approved CPA funding for the Ice House at the Cotuit Historical Society, the Sturgis Library and the Marstons Mills Historical Society.

Paine Black House – RFP Update

Although a report in the *Barnstable Patriot* indicated that there was one submission for the Paine Black House Request for Proposals, no other information was available at this time.

Recommendations of the Nominating Committee

Len Gobeil noted that the Nominating Committee of Len Gobeil and George Jessop met on May 5, 2011, and respectfully submits the following nominations for the slate:

Chair – Jessica Rapp Grassetti

Vice Chair – George Jessop

Clerk – Marilyn Fifield

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark and seconded by Marilyn Fifield to accept the nominations for the slate.

So Voted Unanimously

Correspondence and other materials

None received

Other Business

Nancy Clark wished to take this opportunity to thank outgoing Chairman Barbara Flinn for all her considerable work and effort on behalf of both the Barnstable Historical Commission and the Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District. Barbara Flinn thanked the Commission and stated that it has been an honor.

Having no further business before this Commission, a motion was duly made by Nancy Clark and seconded by Len Gobeil to adjourn the meeting at 4:45pm.

VOTE: So voted unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Marylou Fair, Recording Secretary
and Commission Clerk Marilyn Fifield