

## MINUTES

Barnstable Historical Commission  
Town Hall  
367 Main Street, Hyannis  
Selectmen's Conference Room  
January 07, 2014

Jessica Rapp Grassetti, Chair	Present
Laurie Young, Vice Chair	Absent
Marilyn Fifield, Clerk	Present
Nancy Clark	Present
Nancy Shoemaker	Present
George Jessop	Present
Len Gobeil	Present
Ted Wurzburg, Alternate	Present
Marylou Fair	Admin Assistant, GMD
Jo Anne Miller Buntich	Director, GMD

Chair Grassetti called the meeting to order at 4:02pm

Before beginning the application review, Nancy Shoemaker asked for a moment of silence for long-time historian Barbara Crosby of Osterville who had recently passed away. Barbara Crosby was a member of the Historical Commission for many years, a historian for the village of Osterville, completed many Inventory Form Bs and contributed extensive time and research expertise to benefit the Town of Barnstable.

*Acting under the provisions of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, ss 112-1 through 112-7, the Historical Commission held a Public Hearing on the following application:*

**Leahy, Richard & Ann, 1055 Main Street, Cotuit, Map 034, Parcel 016**  
**Demolish 1-story flat-roof structure & construct 2-story mansard addition & 1-story additions**  
Built 1888, Inventoried, Contributing Building, National Register District, National Register MRA  
Represented by Peter Pometti

Mr. Pometti reported that the homeowners would like to add a master bedroom on the first floor and the only place to do so is at the rear of the property. The portion to be taken down is one-story with flat roof, and they propose adding one story and roof deck and an equally proportioned 2-story mansard to the rear of the house. Jessica Rapp Grassetti explained that one of the reasons she referred this project to a Public Hearing was that this area of Main Street in Cotuit has many mansard homes and she wanted the Commission to review. George Jessop commented that the roof plan at the second level continues the original portion of the house, which is a very nice feature. Nancy Clark agrees and stated that the plans before them are tastefully done and appreciated.

**Motion duly made by Len Gobeil, seconded by Nancy Clark, that the Historical Commission finds, after review and consideration of public testimony, application and record file for demolition proposed at 1055 Main Street, Cotuit, that the portions of the structure to be demolished are not preferably preserved significant portions of the building.**

**So Voted Unanimously**

**Motion duly made by Len Gobeil, seconded by Nancy Clark that in accordance with Chapter 112F, the Historical Commission determines that the demolition of the portions of the structures located at 1055 Main Street, Cotuit, would not be detrimental to the historical, cultural or architectural heritage or resource of the Town.**

**So Voted Unanimously**

**Lloyd, George & Holly, 1109 Main Street, Cotuit, Map 034, Parcel 009**

**Demolish screen porch and mansard addition & construct 2-story mansard addition & screen porch**

Built 1889, Inventoried, Contributing Building National Register District, National Register MRA

Represented by Peter Pometti

Mr. Pometti explained that this property had a mansard addition put onto the original mansard along with a connector in the middle. He said the dormers on the addition are flatter than the proportions on the original, and it is not a true mansard on the inside. The idea is to take this addition off, along with the porch, and construct a new mansard addition and add another eight feet to the depth of the house. Nancy Shoemaker questioned whether the square footage involved would trigger referral to the Cape Cod Commission. Upon review of the guidelines, it was determined that demolition or alterations of later additions which are determined not to have historic significance are not considered substantial alterations.

**Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Len Gobeil, that the Historical Commission finds, after review and consideration of public testimony, application and record file for demolition proposed at 1109 Main Street, Cotuit, that the portions of the structure to be demolished are not preferably preserved significant portions of the building.**

**AYE: Grassetti, Clark, Jessop, Fifield, Gobeil, Wurzburg**

**ABSTAIN: Shoemaker**

**Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Len Gobeil that in accordance with Chapter 112F, the Historical Commission determines that the demolition of the portions of the structure located at 1109 Main Street, Cotuit would not be detrimental to the historical, cultural or architectural heritage or resource of the Town.**

**AYE: Grassetti, Clark, Jessop, Fifield, Gobeil, Wurzburg**

**ABSTAIN: Shoemaker**

**Application Submission Materials – Jo Anne Miller Buntich**

Review revised Notice of Intent to Demolish form and supporting material requirements

This item was tabled to the next scheduled meeting of February 18, 2014.

**Update Paine Black House – Jo Anne Miller Buntich**

This item was tabled to the next scheduled meeting of February 18, 2014.

**Update on Website – Jo Anne Miller Buntich**

This item was tabled to the next scheduled meeting of February 18, 2014.

**Update 375<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Jessica Rapp Grassetti**

Jessica Rapp Grassetti expressed the hope of the Anniversary Committee that all the Town's historical societies and villages will help to make this a great year of special events. Publishing walking maps of the seven villages that would also include cemeteries was considered, with funds available in the Town budget and could perhaps be used for publishing the maps as well as for monument cleaning.

Nancy Clark suggested each of the villages could contact their local Post Offices and request a special postmark. If there is a "Village Day," the postmark could be featured, and it would be good for that day as well as for another month. If it is sponsored by a historical society, they can also design their own envelope.

Nancy Shoemaker stated that the Barnstable Historical Society is going to have an exhibit of photographs of Hyannis this Spring and wondered if these photographs could be hung somewhere in Town Hall after the exhibit ends. Growth Management will assist in coordinating with Melissa Hersh who oversees the revolving art on display at Town Hall.

**Correspondence Received**

Letter received 10/15/2013 from Edward Andrews requesting consideration for any available historic salvage materials. The Commission acknowledged receipt of the letter.

**Approval of Minutes:**

November 19, 2013

**Motion duly made by Marilyn Fifield, seconded by Len Gobeil, to approve the minutes of November 19, 2013, as submitted.**

**AYE: Rapp Grassetti, Fifield, Gobeil, Jessop**

**ABSTAIN: Clark, Shoemaker, Wurzburg**

## **Communications from Commissioners**

### **CPC Update – Marilyn Fifield**

Marilyn Fifield provided copies of Letters of Intent submitted to CPC for several historic projects to seek Historical Commission support. The projects include exterior stabilization of the Paine-Black House, the Burgess House and Barn and the restoration and return of the historic Hyannis horse trough.

### **Other Business**

Jessica Rapp Grassetti announced that, as new Town Council President, she will be resign as Chair and member of the Historical Commission, effective immediately, and she submitted a copy of her letter of resignation which has also been delivered to the Town Clerk. She called her association with the Historical Commission a wonderful experience, and she thanked Commissioner Nancy Shoemaker for recruiting her to join.

Having no further business before this Commission, a motion was duly made by Len Gobeil, seconded by George Jessop, to adjourn the meeting at 5:00pm.

So Voted Unanimously

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

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\*\* Further detail may be obtained by viewing the video via Channel 18 on demand at <http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us> \*\*