

MINUTES

**Barnstable Historical Commission
Town Hall
367 Main Street, Hyannis
Selectmen's Conference Room - Second Floor**

December 15, 2009 @ 4:00pm

Members Present:

Barbara Flinn, Chairman
Jessica Rapp Grassetti
Marilyn Fifield (Arrived 4:10pm)
Nancy Clark (Absent)
Nancy Shoemaker (Arrived 4:05pm)
George Jessop
Len Gobeil

Staff: Marylou Fair, Administrative Assistant

DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS FILED – DECIDE WHETHER THE STRUCTURE IS HISTORICALLY OR ARCHITECTURALLY SIGNIFICANT WITHIN 7 WORKING DAYS FROM FILING

64 Cedar Street, Hyannis, Map 343, Parcel 010

Demolish 1 ½ Story Detached Barn – No Inventory – Year Build Unknown

Represented by George Davis

Mr. Davis noted that he is the son-in-law of the owners and is trying to help his in-laws. The Insurance company had cancelled the insurance on the property due to the condition of the barn. Insurance has since been added pending appearance before this Commission. The barn is located towards the back of the property and can not be clearly seen from the road. Chairman Flinn asked if the members had all had a chance to review the application and visit the property. All members present were in agreement that the barn is in disrepair. George Jessop noted that work has been done on the house recently to improve the condition. Jessica Rapp Grassetti wished to add a note that although barns are usually in the back of homes they still contribute to the area. The town is losing many of these barns due to neglect. She asks for owners to look at their barns and try to restore them whenever possible.

A Motion was duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Jessica Rapp Grassetti to Approve the Barn Demolition at 65 Cedar Street as requested.

AYE: Flinn, Grassetti, Gobeil, Jessop

NAY: None

Absent for Vote: Shoemaker, Fifield

So Voted Unanimously

NOTE: Arrival of Nancy Shoemaker and Marilyn Fifield

Approval of New Marstons Mills Inventories submitted by James Gould and Holly Hobart–

Review of Form B to be Sent to MHC

~ 289 Cammett Road

~ 2045 Main Street

~ 2134 Main Street

~ 533 Old Falmouth Road

~ 596 Old Falmouth Road

- ~ 615 Old Falmouth Road
- ~ 744 Old Falmouth Road
- ~ 988 Old Falmouth Road
- ~ 1028 Old Falmouth Road
- ~ 1044 Old Falmouth Road
- ~ 1009 Old Falmouth Road
- ~ 416 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 933 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 1000 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 1127 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 1161 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 1206 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 1297 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 1315 Osterville-West Barnstable Road
- ~ 1198 Race Lane
- ~ 1317 Race Lane
- ~ 72 River Road
- ~ 84 River Road
- ~ 112 River Road
- ~ 168 River Road
- ~ 1585 South County Road
- ~ 182 Walnut Street

Motion duly made by Nancy Shoemaker, seconded by Jessica Rapp Grassetto to send the above Inventory Form B's to the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

AYE: ALL

NAY: None

So Voted Unanimously

Old Business

Update on 316 Main Street, Osterville

George Jessop and Jessica Rapp Grassetto conducted a site visit and reported that the home has been well maintained, although it did have plastic siding which could be converted if the homeowner chooses. George Jessop requested that the owner replicate the columns and then infill to form a flat arch style porch so that the finished results appear to be two additions. The owner approved of the idea and was eager to comply.

Update on 41 First Avenue, Osterville

Jessica Rapp Grassetto reported that the house was moved there and oriented differently as the front of the house is now the side. The home has a columned porch which the owners wish to enclose. It can not be seen from the street. Jessica noted that they walked around the property and the work that has been done is very tasteful. She offered suggestions of utilizing the columns that are there and leaving a window on the second floor rather than closing it up.

Update on 2 Irving Avenue, Hyannisport

Nancy Shoemaker reported that there was a meeting at the Cape Cod Commission regarding 2 Irving Avenue and they have agreed to review the proposed demolition as a Development of Regional Impact. She hopes the citizens come forward to voice their concerns regarding the demolition. Mr. Bruce McPherson was present and asked to speak. He stated he was a member of the Hyannisport Golf Club and attended the Cape Cod Commission meeting. In speaking with fellow members, he understood that

many wish to save the building and are investigating options. The Commission asked Mr. McPherson to keep them updated on his progress.

Correspondence Received

Commonwealth of Mass. letter dated 10/22/2009 re: Sturgis Library
Correspondence acknowledged and no discussion took place

Garofalo & Assoc. letter dated 10/26/2009 re: Bridge Work Rte 6 EB & WB over Rte 132
Correspondence acknowledged and no discussion took place

Mass. Historical Commission letter dated 11/5/2009 re: Cape Wind Energy Project and National Register Eligibility Opinion for Nantucket Sound as a Traditional Cultural Property

George Jessop commented that the Eligibility Opinion was very well documented and asked if this was something the Commission would like to see posted to their Website. The Commission discussed whether a response should be sent to the Mass. Historical Commission and the consensus was that a response was not necessary unless it means that the BHC cannot respond at a future date. Jessica Grasseti noted that she would not like to have the BHC told that they did not weigh in and asked if the Commission should take a stand. Len Gobeil inquired if it was beyond them at this stage. Chairman Flinn suggested adding this topic to a future Agenda. Marilyn Fifield reported on the November presentation she had attended at Cape Cod Community College by Dr. Thomas King, authority on Traditional Cultural Properties.

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Approval of Minutes for October 20, 2009

Motion duly made by Marilyn Fifield, seconded by Jessica Rapp Grasseti to Approve the Minutes of October 20, 2009 as Submitted.

AYE: ALL

NAY:

So Voted Unanimously

Adjournment

Motion duly made by Len Gobeil, seconded by Nancy Shoemaker to Adjourn the Meeting at 4:40pm.

So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Marylou Fair