



TOWN OF MEDWAY
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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Minutes

Wednesday, March 3, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
Zoom

*Commission
Members*

Jeanne Johnson,
Chair
Paul Russell, Vice
Chair
Eugene Liscombe,
Treasurer,
Representative to
Community
Preservation
Committee
Cher Hamilton,
Member
McKenzie Ward,
Member
Morgan Harris,
Member
Rich Eustis,
Member

Members in Attendance (virtually): Jeanne Johnson, Gene Liscombe, Paul Russell, Cher Hamilton, McKenzie Ward

Members Absent: Morgan Harris

Others Present (virtually): Barbara Saint Andre, Director of Community and Economic Development, Katherine Mitchell, Recording Secretary

I. Meeting was called to order by Historical Commission Chair, Jeanne Johnson at 7:01 PM.

II. No demolition applications to consider

III. Minutes to consider – February 3, 2021

On a motion made by Paul Russell, seconded by McKenzie Ward, the Historical Commission voted unanimously by roll call vote to approve minutes of February 3, 2021.

Jeanne Johnson	Aye	Paul Russell	Aye	Gene Liscombe	Aye	
Cher Hamilton	Aye	Morgan Harris (Absent)	Kenzie Ward	Aye	Rich Eustis	Aye

IV. Treasurer's report (Gene Liscombe)

Gene receives a statement every month from the Town Accountant; our balance remains \$2,500.

V. CPC Report (Gene Liscombe)

Gene reported that the Annual CPC Public Hearing was on Monday, March 1. The meeting gave the expectations of distribution of funds for Acquisition of Open Space, Historical Resources, Preservation of Land, and Community Housing. Jeanne and Paul attended the hearing. They brought up the articles on the upcoming Town Meeting warrant regarding funding the purchase of flag poles at St. Joseph & Evergreen Cemeteries and also the purchase of chain-link fencing around the Garnsey House Foundation /Dog Park. The CPC supports both articles.

Paul asked the balance of the Historical Commission share of the CPA account. Gene believes around \$500,000 after the purchase of Jacob Ide House, but he will confirm at the next meeting.

VI. Old business

A. Spring Town Meeting Articles (Annual Town Meeting is May 10, 2021)

As stated above, CPC will recommend Town Meeting approval of our articles.

B. MA Historical Commission accepted Evergreen Cemetery application for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places and has forwarded the application for national approval. The

cemetery is officially listed on the Massachusetts Register of Historic Places now. Paul stated it would be about two more months before we know more about national acceptance.

Plaques/Markers for Historic Medway Sites

This is an ongoing project for Historical Commission. They need to work on some type of marker for the Garnsey site. The Historical Commission has a list of historic sites they wish to possibly put markers on. Paul stated the schools plan to have high-school students back to in-school learning in April and will be able to inform interested students of research possibilities for this project. Cher has a few books from the Historical Society, and she offered to do some research on background for some of these sites.

New Business

Rich Eustis was sworn in as a member of this Commission, and he met the new Town Clerk, Stefany Ohannesian, who formerly worked with Barbara Saint Andre, Director of Community and Economic Development.

On a motion made by Gene; seconded by Paul, the Historical Commission voted unanimously by roll call vote to adjourn at 7:28 PM.

Jeanne Johnson	Aye	Paul Russell	Aye	Gene Liscombe	Aye
Cher Hamilton	Aye	Morgan Harris	Absent	Kenzie Ward	Aye
Rich Eustis	Aye				

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 7, 2021, via Zoom at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Mitchell, Recording Secretary

These minutes were approved at the April 7, 2021 meeting of the Historical Commission (virtual).