

The mission of the Holliston Historical Commission is to identify, preserve, and protect the historical resources of the Town, specifically buildings and structures as well as town records and documents. Appointed by the Board of Selectmen, the commission is responsible for administering the Holliston Demolition Delay By-law in accordance with Article 43, General By-law XXIV, Section 11.

This By-law is adopted to protect and preserve buildings and structures within Holliston which reflect or constitute distinctive features of the architectural, cultural, economic, political or social history of the Town. The intent of the By-law is not to permanently prevent demolition but rather to provide an opportunity to develop preservation solutions for properties threatened with demolition. To achieve these purposes, the Holliston Historical Commission is empowered to advise the Holliston Building Inspector with respect to the issuance of permits for demolition, and the issuance of demolition permits for significant buildings and structures is regulated as provided in this By-law. For the full text, go to:

http://www.townofholliston.us/sites/hollistonma/files/file/file/demolition_delay_by-law.pdf

The Holliston Historical Commission is dedicated to educating the general public on matters of historic preservation and acting as a resource in advising the Selectmen and other town bodies as needed.

If you own an old house or barn in Holliston, here are some additional resources to visit:

Mass Historic Commission - <http://www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc/>

MA Cultural Resource Information System (MACRIS) - <http://mhc-macris.net/>

Holliston Historical Society - <http://www.hollistonhistoricalsociety.org/>

Preserve New England - <http://www.historicnewengland.org/>

Preserve Mass Barns - <http://www.preservemassbarns.org/>

National Trust for Historic Preservation - <http://www.preservationnation.org/>