

Historical Commision Meeting: In Person Participation - September 28, 2022 - 7:10 PM Start

Attendees: Frank Chamberlain, Carol Kosicki, Mary Greendale, Ben Clarkson, James Keast (Minute Taker), Guests: Sheila Adams and Jane Gilfoy

Historical Society

Frank opened the meeting with a discussion of the ability of the CPC to fund projects for private entities. The CPC likes to have the support of the Historical Commission when making decisions for approvals of this type. There are 12 oil paintings of prominent Holliston residents that the Historical Society owns that are in need of restoration. Sheila Adams shared some information on the overall condition of the paintings and what the restoration process would entail and cost. Mary made a comment that these paintings need to be available for the general public to view and that the 300th anniversary should reference them. The paintings should not be hidden from view. Sheila indicated that they would be available for viewing at events, shows and open houses. Mary made a motion that these paintings are historically significant to Holliston and should be restored. Carol seconded the motion. All in favor.

Preservation Pan

Mary ran an exercise to highlight characteristics of a "Trip down Central Street". Everyone provided their observations:

- Wires
- Telephone poles in sidewalks
- Green; Openness; Good for environment, not pave every inch
- Historical Houses
- What to do with all the car related business?
- Avoid sale of adjacent properties to amass a big lot
- Mixture of commercial and residential.
- Space between structures
- Easy walk no car
- Minimize strip malls; needs to be residential scale.
- Height of structures needs to be addressed.
- Existing residential to commercial

General Discussions

James reviewed the cemetery checklist with the group. Carol and Ben will begin the review and report back their findings

Frank made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of August 3, 2022. Ben seconded the motion. All in favor 5/0.

James made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mary seconded the motion. All in favor 5/0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.