

Historical Commision Meeting: In Person Participation - November 16, 2022 - 7:08 PM Start

Attendees: Frank Chamberlain, Carol Kosicki, Ben Clarkson, James Keast (Minute Taker), Sara Zarrelli

Demolition Delay By-Law

Frank led a discussion on the amount of “delay” with the by-law. The concern is the delay period is too short. Proposed amendments are to increase the delay period to a minimum of a year and add language for enforcement. Also need language to avoid demolition by neglect. Action item for next month for the committee to look at other surrounding towns’ demolition delay by-laws.

Historic Preservation Plan

Sara, James and Carol led a discussion regarding the meeting with the downtown business owners on November 3rd regarding potential implementation of architectural review process for properties undergoing change. The general consensus is that the group is in favor of a formal review process. Next step is to circle back to Mary on possible draft language.

Miller’s Tomb Discussion:

Frank provided an update on his discussion with Paul Holtz from Mass Historic Commision. In general the repair work can be done without the need for a permit. When working on the inside of the tomb a platform needs to be installed above the remains or cover the entire floor with sand. The next steps are to meet with contractors that do this type of work and seek funding from the CPC.

General Discussions

Frank made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from Aug 3, 2022 , Sep 28, 2022 , Oct 19, 2022 . Ben seconded the motion all in favor 5/0

Next meeting date is December 14th.

Carol made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Sara seconded the motion. All in favor 5/0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.