

Dover Historical Commission Meeting

November 5, 2014

7:00 PM –McGill Room –Lower Conference Room

Call Meeting to Order— The Meeting was called to order by Jane Moore, the chair on Wednesday, November 5, 2014 at 7:05 PM

Present –Jane Moore, Janet Comiskey-Giannini, Barrie Clough, Richard Eells, Charlotte Surgenor, ,

Absent--- Tom Johnson, Paul Tedesco

Acceptance of the Minutes----The Minutes for the October 7, 2014 Meeting were approved

Introduction

Barrie Clough was introduced by Jane Moore as our new Historical Commission Board Member. Barrie is a life time resident of Dover and former Town Clerk. The Board welcomed Barrie to the Historical Commission. Barrie stated he had been sworn in by the Town Clerk.

Old Business:

Janet stated that she had been re-sworn in as a member by the Town Clerk.

New Business:

No Demolition Requests at this time.

Budget for Fiscal 2015-- will be the same request of \$1250.00. She stated that the Warrant Committee wants to recommend lowering the amount since some years we do not spend our budget.

Water Sign Project- Jane stated that this would be a great time to advance our project of labeling the streams and brooks that go under roads within the Town of Dover. Some examples of these waters would be the Charles River, Trout Brook, Fuller Brook; Spring Brook. The Board will investigate and look at maps and report back in December what water ways they want to label first.

Review of this Year's News in Dover.

6 Farm Street- The BIGGEST was the demolition of the oldest Dover House. After 10 years of trying to have the house saved by several groups the house was demolished. Investigating if any of the panels were able to be saved by any interested individuals. It was stated that at one time Dover Street Fairs were held on this property.

Open Field Properties and Mid-Century Houses—Several large properties have come on the market and the Commission hopes some will stay as open fields—also, several modern century houses (20th) have come on the market and the Commission is hoping they will not be destroyed- the By-Law only allows the Commission to evaluate houses built before 1929. Suggested that the Commission might want to get the By-Law changed to allow houses built after 1929 to be saved. Suggested that a rolling date of anything older than 60 years old of present date should come before the Historical Commission under a new By-Law.

.Next Meeting— Tuesday, December 2, 2014

Adjourn Meeting at 7:45 PM

Janet Comiskey-Giannini
Dover Historical Commission, Secretary