

HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES OCT 1, 2014

Attending: Dave Despres, Deb Charpentier, Vicki Paquette, Wayne Oliviera, Gary Lavolette, Ft. Phoenix architects/Clearwater Architects.

Previous minutes read, motion to accept by Mr. Lavolette/second by Ms. Paquette, unanimous
No financial report.

Academy building; change of paint color suggested by Mr. Richard discussed. Motion made by Mr. Oliviera to keep color the same, second by Ms. Paquette, unanimous vote.

Fire Museum; Mr. Oliviera has met with the contractors; Ray from DPW has started the electrical work. Mr. Oliviera has started cleaning the building.

Ft. Phoenix; A presentation was given by Clearwater Architects outlining their proposals for Phase Two work on the parapet and bunker. Various options were outlined. Concerns were raised regarding forming too much of a crown on the parapet. Suggestions were made to submit this to CPC for this round of grants. Mr. Despres is to contact Bill Roth. Also discussed was possible placement of the anchors at the Fort entrance.

House Plaques: 28 Middle Street was approved. A discussion regarding pricing of the plaques was made due to a complaint being received as to the cost of the plaques. The current signs are hand painted, less costly options such as stenciling and cut letters was discussed. Mr. Despres is to contact the current painter as to less expensive options.

The moniker "Poverty Point" was discussed due to a complaint received by the Selectmen's Office as to its use. The name has been in use for over two hundred to describe the peninsular section of Oxford. Mr. Despres read from a history of Fairhaven published by the Federal Government in 1939 and sponsored by the then Selectmen's Office referring to the history of the name. A motion was made by Mr. Despres and seconded by Ms. Charpentier acknowledging the common usage of the term. Vote was unanimous.

Next meeting November 12, 2014