

FAIRHAVEN HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES
WED OCTOBER 14, 2015

Attending: David Despres, Wayne Oliveira, Gary Lavallette, Bryan Wood, Vicki Paquette

Doug Brady and Nils Isaksen, Revere Bell Committee. Matt Coes, Bikeway Committee.

Previous minutes: read and accepted on a motion by Mr. Lavalette/second Ms. Paquette

Financial report: not available

Academy Building: The spec sheet for the proposed exterior renovations was read by Mr. Despres. Three contractors have been contacted for estimates.

Fire Museum: Mr. Despres reported that the contractor is still working on the window sash and will be installing them shortly.

Fort Phoenix: The project architect reports that no bids were received, the project will be rebid in the spring. Mr. Lavalette reported that the bunker was opened for the recent encampment.

Old Stone School: Mr. Despres will schedule to have the gutters cleaned and treated this fall.

House Plaques/Historical markers: 20 William St was tabled for discussion at the next meeting.

Bates House/Taber Wall: nothing new to report, the land issue to be voted on at Town Meeting.

Revere Bell: Mr. Isaksen and Mr. Brady from the Bell Committee appeared before the Commission to discuss the removal and future location of the bell. Their committee will work towards finding a suitable location for the 700lb artifact. Mr. Brady discussed having the bell appraised and insured. The Bell committee will hold joint meetings with the Historical Commission and others, including possibly a public hearing as to the display location.

Town Hall hitching posts: Mr. Coes from the Bikeway Committee appeared to present his ideas for bicycle hitching posts at the Town Hall. The Commission voted, on a motion by Mr. Oliveira/ Ms. Paquette, to support the placing of four single posts. Two are to be located on Center Street, and one each on William and Walnut Streets. The posts are to be placed inward of the grass strip, and in locations not interfering with future tree plantings.

No other new business

Next meeting: Wed., Nov 4, 2015