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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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FAIRHAVEN,
MASS.

Present: Wayne Oliveira, Vicki Oliveira, Gary Lavalette, Kathyne Moniz, Selectmen Keith Silva.

Others Present: CPC Chairman Jeff Lucas, Planning Director Paul Foley (at 7:13pm), Manjiro Society members, Gerry Rooney, Brian Bowcock, and Mike Silvia.

Present via Zoom: Suzan Galpin, Camera operator Erick Sa.

Absent: Gail Isaksen, MJ Carvalho

Chairman Oliveira called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm in the East Room at Town Hall and via Zoom. All members observed Social Distancing rules.

Minutes

Mr. Lavalette made a motion to approve the minutes of November 4, 2020. Ms. Oliveira seconded. Vote passed.

Roll Call vote: Mr. Oliveira in favor, Mr. Lavalette in favor, Ms. Moniz in favor, Mr. Silvia in favor, Ms. Oliveira in favor, Ms. Galpin in favor.

Financial Report

The Chairman read the financial report.

Chairman's report

Chairman Oliveira updated the commission regarding the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) proposed projects.

Mr. Oliveira reported to the commission that he will be submitting an article for the May 2021 Annual Town Meeting for funding the period correct street lamps around the Town Hall. (Attachment A) Mr. Lucas told the Board the CPC may fund the project to restore the sidewalks around the library. Mr. Lucas feels hopeful that the CPC will approve funding for the sidewalks and that lighting can be added at the Library at that time.

Ms. Oliveira made a motion to support the lighting installation of the Historic Street lamps around Town Hall. Mr. Lavalette seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call vote: Mr. Oliveira in favor, Mr. Lavalette in favor, Ms. Moniz in favor, Mr. Silvia in favor, Ms. Oliveira in favor, Ms. Galpin in favor.

Mr. Oliveira told the Commission he has met with the budget team regarding the FY22 budget and has requested additional funding for the antique fire apparatus.

Correspondence

Members of the Manjiro Society met with the Commission to provide an update on the carriage house renovations. They have paid for the renovations with CPC funds and donations. The commission discussed the endorsement of town historic buildings that are not on the national historic register before any renovations or changes are made to these buildings.

Mr. Lucas suggested applying for a CPC grant to record all the historic buildings.

Mr. Lavalette made a motion for the historical commission to deem the Manjiro Society property as historically significant and to endorse the carriage house project. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call vote: Mr. Oliveira in favor, Mr. Lavalette in favor, Ms. Moniz in favor, Mr. Silvia in favor, Ms. Oliveira in favor, Ms. Galpin in favor

Mr. Oliveira will send a letter to the Manjiro Society with the Historic Commissions endorsement of the carriage house project.

Mr. Foley will ask town meeting for a match for the Mass historic survey grant.

Bills

Members signed the bills.

Academy Building

Mr. Oliveira said the ADA project should be started soon. Mr. Oliveira thanked the Fairhaven Lion's Club for cleaning the grounds at the Academy this past fall.

Fire museum

Mr. Oliveira said there is a window loose at the Spring Street Fire Museum.

Fort Phoenix

Mr. Oliveira said the halyard is still broken on the flagpole.

Old Stone School House

Mr. Oliveira said he submitted the application to the CPC.

House Plaque

No applications at this time

Demo Delay

Nothing to report at this time.

New Business

Mr. Oliveira said there was a request from Stuart Quinn requesting a letter of support for the Oxford School tax credits. Chairman Oliveira will send the letter of support.

Ms. Oliveira made a motion to send the letter of support to the Stratford Capital Group in support of the tax credits for Oxford School. Mr. Lavalette seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call vote: Mr. Oliveira in favor, Mr. Lavalette in favor, Ms. Moniz in favor, Mr. Silvia in favor, Ms. Oliveira in favor, Ms. Galpin in favor

Mr. Lavalette made a motion was made to adjourn at 7:53 pm. Ms. Oliveira seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call vote: Mr. Oliveira in favor, Mr. Lavalette in favor, Ms. Moniz in favor, Mr. Silvia in favor, Ms. Oliveira in favor, Ms. Galpin in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicki Oliveira

Recording Secretary

(Approved 02/03/2021)

Attachments:

A: Renderings of proposed street lamps







