

# Town of Fairhaven

## HISTORICAL COMMISSION

March 3, 2021

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Present: MJ Carvalho, Keith Silvia, David Braga, Wayne Oliveira, Vicki Oliveira, John Medeiros, Gary Lavalette

Zoom: Suzan Galpin

Absent: Gail Isaksen

Chairman Oliveira called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm in the East Room at Town Hall and via Zoom. All members observed Social Distancing rules.

### Minutes

Ms. Carvalho made a motion to accept the minutes of February 3, 2021. Mr. Lavalette seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call vote: Mr. Oliveira in favor, Mr. Lavalette, Ms. Carvalho, Mr. Silvia in favor, Mr. Braga in favor, Ms. Galpin in favor, in favor and Ms. Oliveira in favor

### Financial Report

The Chairman read the financial report.

### Bills

The bills of the Historical Commission were signed by the members. Chairman Oliveira told the members that there are emergency repairs being done at the Academy on the roof and the chimney. With there being four months left in the fiscal year, the money will be tight in the budget.

### Chairman's report

Mr. Oliveira told the Commission about an article in the Standard Times regarding a historic plaque that used to be on the route 6 bride approach. The plaque was removed about 20-30 years ago when the road was redone and it is believed that the city of New Bedford has it in storage. Mr. Despres, former chairman of the historical commission has offered to contact the city to find out about having the plaque returned to Fairhaven. Mr. Oliveira will also reach out to the Mayor.

Mr. Oliveira and Mr. Medeiros went to Oxford School and removed the remaining antique items to preserve them for the Town. They are in storage for safe keeping. Mr. Oliveira praised the Town Hall custodian Kevin Fournier and Harbormaster Tim Cox for their assistance.

**Academy Building**

Mr. Oliveira said he met with the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) and presented 3 applications. The CPC rejected the town hall street lamp application but seemed favorable with the Old Stone School house and the Phase 2 for the Academy Building was reduced to \$80,000.

**Fire museum**

Nothing to report at this time.

**Fort Phoenix**

The flagpole will be fixed soon. The Fairhaven Village Militia will be installing a plaque on cannon five in memory of former commission member, Ellsworth "Ellie" Sylvaria Jr.

**Old Stone School House**

The CPC was favorable on the application for the full restoration of the outside of the building.

**House Plaque**

No applications at this time

**Demo Delay**

Mr. Oliveira will send the information to the commission members to review.

**New Business**

Mr. Silvia said the Oxford School Bell is in Boston being cleaned

At 7:19 pm Mr. Lavalette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Carvalho seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Roll Call vote: Mr. Oliveira in favor, Mr. Lavalette, Ms. Carvalho, Mr. Silvia in favor, Mr. Braga in favor, Ms. Galpin in favor, in favor and Ms. Oliveira in favor

Respectfully Submitted, -



Vicki Oliveira  
Recording Secretary  
(Approved 04/7/2021)