

MENDON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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MEETING DATE	8/13/22
LOCATION	Taft Public Library
STATUS	4/27/2023

PARTIAL JOINT MEETING WITH LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT

PRESENT: Lynne Roberts, Dan Byer, Deborah Flanagan, Ruth O'Grady,, Jane Lowell (Virtually Kathy Schofield, Janice Muldoon Moors Connie Beal)

GUEST: John Nenart

Meeting opened at 7.07pm - Items were discussed out of Agenda order

1. Design Guidelines for LHD

Jane Lowell presented some design guidelines for the LHD. For these to be accepted there will need to be a Public Hearing. They would be looking for 3 different styles. John Nenart gave some design guidelines for everyone to look at. Lighting would need to be discussed. Dan has the packet of information including lighting suggestions which he will email to everyone.

2. Proposed new LHD

The plan is to present the proposal to the Planning Board no later than September 15th. Dan will post the Public Hearing no later than August 29th. The letter from the Historic District Commission will be posted regarding the Public Hearing.

The Joint Meeting was adjourned at 8.26pm. The Historic Commission Meeting continued.

1. Minutes

All members of the HC had reviewed the minutes. Janice made a motion to accept them, seconded by Dan Byer. LR KS, CB all voted to accept them. Dan had requested minutes from 4/12/22 ad 5/16/22 s he thought they were missing. Lynne sent them over after the meeting. All minutes are current, and Dan will post on the website.

2. Records Room

We are still struggling to locate a structural engineer to provide an engineering study for the Records Room. Kathy Schofield is still working on this, and Lynne will contact John Nenart to see if they have someone they use. Lynne has also contacted the Uxbridge Historical Commission (with no response to date) to see who they used for the old Inn.

3. Demolition Requests & Bylaw

No new Demolition requests have been received. The Demolition Delay Bylaw approved by the Town at the Town Meeting in May has now been approved by the State. Dan will make the modifications to the website. He sent a draft update to all members of the Commission to review.

4. Historic Resource Inventory Review

Lynne sent out letters to all homeowners of property built prior to 1950 to include in the inventory. Dan will be setting up a spreadsheet to track responses. There have been a couple of people requesting to have their homes removed from the list. A Public Hearing will be held on September 16th to discuss.

5. Cemetery Project

Janice has compiled excellent documents for the appointment of Cemetery Stewards and their duties. We will be pulling this together and will create an article for the local newspaper to encourage people to apply. Dan will supply the list of all cemeteries in Town.

6. Welcome Booklet

Janice has been working on a list of all businesses in Town to approach to support this booklet. The question arose of where we can print it and if we can obtain sponsorship from local companies. This is an ongoing project.

Dan made a motion to close the meeting, Janice seconded, all supported the motion. The meeting closed at 9.09pm. Next meeting will be at 5.45pm in the Town Hall on Friday September 16th, and will consist of 2 Public Hearings (design guidelines followed by LHD).