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Meeting Date	March 3, 2015 at 7:00pm
Location	Mendon Town Hall
Status	Approved

7:10 Meeting Opened

Wayne Wagner opened the meeting. In attendance: Jane Lowell, Kathy Schofield, Willem Angenent (Fin Com), Dotty Leighton, Dick Skinner and Dan Gallo YYZ Signs Mendon, Ma.

7:12 Review Meeting Minutes

The Commission did review and approved the meeting minutes from February 2015.

7:15 Fire Station Thermometer Presentation

Dick Skinner presented the fire station thermometer progress report to the Historical Commission. He introduced Dan Gallo who has been doing the graphic work on the piece. The progress on the piece is exceptional. Dick discussed some of the obstacles he has run into and asked guidance from the Commission on paint and lighting choices and plans to add items like fine mesh to prevent wasps from nesting inside. The Commission decided not to have the light restored but to keep the components intact should a future decision be made to relight the fixture internally. Suggestions were made to up light or down light the thermometer from the exterior of the building however it will depend on the outcome of the Town Hall Campus study.

7:35 CPC Funding Requests / Town Hall Basement Project

The Historical Commission discussed the upcoming projects that would require CPC funding. Those projects include preparation of a bid for the old cemetery restoration and funding the restoration if voters approved it. CPC funds (80 thousand) are being sought to remodel the basement of the town hall. The Historic Commission met with Kimberly Newman, the town administrator to discuss the preservation restriction on the town hall and any implications it would have on the renovation.

Willem Angenent discussed the Upton Town Hall renovation project and how CPC funds were used there to fund the project through a loan process.

The CPC and Fincom approved the request for \$1000.00 to remove the paint from the Joy Fountain. It will go to voters for approval at the STM on March 18, 2015.

8:30pm HC role in Sidewalk and Improvements in the Village Center

Kathy and Jane have met with Alan Tetreault regarding the sidewalk project for which CPC Historic Funds were approved to develop a plan and bid. Alan outlined the conceptual plan. He will continue to keep the Commission updated on any new information regarding the project.

8:45pm Historic District Update

Kathy and Jane reported that the majority of the information needed to request a Local Historic District Study is in place including the financial benefits. That information has been forwarded to Kimberly Newman (TA) for review. Kimberly will meet with Historical Commission members on March 9th to review the information and make sure it is ready to be presented to the Board of Selectmen at their meeting on March 11, 2015.

8:50pm Historic Sign Update

Kathy gave a brief update on information she was able to locate on the Historic Sign Project from 2000. She handed out a fact sheet for review. The Commission will discuss the next steps at their April meeting.

8:55pm Adjourn

Jane moved to adjourn the meeting. Kathy seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday April 8, 2015.