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**HISTORICAL SIGNIFIGANCE**  
**DETERMINATION**

**Application #:** D-21-2

**Application Date:** March 25, 2021

**Expiration Date:** March 12, 2022

**Owner:** BURNHAM CRAIG R SR & LESLIE A  
**At:** 91 MILLVILLE STREET  
**ISSUED**  
**ON:** March 25, 2021

**Description of Building/Structure to be demolished:** Built around 1900 - 2 story, wood frame structure with field stone foundation.

The Mendon Historical Commission would like to thank you for your cooperation in this Demolition Delay Review process. In 2009 the Town of Mendon approved a Demolition Delay By-Law. The purpose was to promote the preservation of architecturally and historically significant buildings by delaying demolition for a period of time to enable consideration of possible alternatives to demolition including preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, relocation or sale to another owner interested in preservation.

At their meeting on March 10, 2021, The Historical Commission reviewed the application for Demolition Delay for the above described building, structure, or property.

**The Commission finds the above listed building, structure, or property IS historically significant and the applicant MAY NOT proceed with the demolition process.**

**The following criteria were used in making of this determination:**

true	Any building or structure, or portion thereof, within the Town which is in whole or in part seventy-five (75) or more years old or is of unknown age
false	The building or structure is associated with events or activities that have made a significant contribution to the history of Mendon, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or the United States
false	The building or structure is associated with the life or lives of persons significant in the history of Mendon, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or the United States
	The building or structure embodies, either by itself or in context with a group of buildings or structures, distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values.

***Additional Comments:***

Per the Assessor's records the house is listed as built in 1900. A preliminary deed search indicates the house may actually date back to the 1850s. Additional research is needed however the house is more than 75 years old and meets the standard for a formal hearing to discuss further.

**The next steps in the Demolition Delay Review process are as follows:**

Within 20 days, the applicant shall submit to the Commission a demolition plan showing:

- A map showing the location of the building or structure to be demolished on its property and with reference to neighboring properties;
- Photographs of all street façade elevations;
- A description of the building or structure, or part thereof, to be demolished;
- The reason for the proposed demolition and data supporting said reason. Data sufficient to establish any economic justification for demolition may be included;
- A brief description of the proposed reuse of the property on which the building or structure to be demolished is located;

Upon receipt of the plan referenced above the Commission shall, within 22 business days, schedule a public hearing on the application and shall give public notice thereof by publishing the time, place and purpose of the hearing in a local newspaper at least ten (10) business days before said hearing and also, within five (5) business days of said hearing, mail a copy of said notice to the applicant, the property owner (if the applicant is a non-owner), to owners of all adjoining property, and to other property owners deemed by the Commission to be materially affected thereby as they appear on the most recent real estate tax list of the Board of Assessors. The expense of publishing the hearing notice and the mailing to all such persons shall be borne by the applicant.

Lynne Roberts

*Chair - Historical Commission*

*CC: Building Inspector*

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