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Hudson Historical Commission Minutes August 27, 2020

Members present: Peter Breton Chair, Paul Shultz; Ricky Gelin; Ron Sorgman; Mike Volk; Al Morel and Mark Terra-Salomão.

The Chair opened the meeting at 6:35 PM

1. Welcome and staffing updates –Ms. Johnson introduced herself as the new Acting Director of Planning, replacing the now retired Jack Hunter. She told the Commission that it was her intent to fully staff the Commission as you move forward and Pam Helinek will be the permanent staff member for the Commission.

2. Demo Delay by Law – Mr. Terra-Salomão reminded the Commission of their effort to develop a By Law prior to Covid.

The primary components are the eligible properties will be from a list complied and approved by the Historical Commission and that the Commission would have up to one year to delay the demolition if the property is deemed significant.

There was considerable discussion regarding length of time, eligible properties, and when and how to proceed to Town Meeting.

Ms. Helinek will gather any comments from all the members and develop a final draft

3. CPC Plaques and Markers- Mr. Breton informed the Commission that the CPC article was passed at the last Town Meeting but will be on the Fall Town Meeting warrant. Once approved at Town Meeting the signs and distribution can be strategized.

4. Minutes of January 7, 2020 —On a motion by Mr. Volk, seconded by Mr. Sorgman the minutes of January 7, 2020 were approved unanimously.

5. Other Business – Mr. Hunter informed the Commission that the CPC has approved their application for Markers and Plaques so the next steps is for it to go to the Selectmen, finance committee and then Town meeting.

The Commission scheduled their next meeting for October 13, 2020 at 6:30PM

On a motion by Mr. Breton, seconded by Mr. Volk the meeting was adjourned at 7:56PM.