



Town of Hudson

Historical Commission

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Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2022

1. Roll Call

Chair Peter Breton called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Members present: Peter Breton, Chair; Paul Shultz; Al Morel; Mark Terra-Salomão; Michael Volk;

Staff: Pam Helinek

2. Updates

a. Historical House Marker Program (Owner-funded markers)

Pam Helinek reported there are three outstanding historical plaques through the owner-funded programs. One has been delivered to the home owner who is making revisions. Amanda Dumas is researching the other two properties.

b. Unitarian Church Historical Marker

Al Morel discussed his new ideas for the historical marker, which will be similar in style to the Riverwalk interpretive signs and include information about Town Hall and three historic churches, including the Unitarian Church. He also discussed requesting more CPA money for additional historical markers for the downtown and referenced Marlborough's Museum in the Streets Walking Tour as a model.

c. Historical Survey Phase 2

The contract with Stacy Spies, the historical consultant, has been signed. Pam Helinek will check in with her about when she will be starting the survey work.

3. Rebuttal to disparaging facebook posts

Michael Volk made a motion to send a communication to David Bonazzolli expressing the Commission's displeasure at his posting disparaging comments about their work on public facebook pages. Second by Paul Shultz. Vote 1-4-0.

4. Hudson Armory MOA with Mass Historic Commission

Peter Breton said that he thought the MOA was fine except for an error referring to the Hudson Historical Commission as "LHC" instead of "HHC". Mark Terra-Salomão moved to approve the MOA with the error correction and authorize Peter Breton to sign for the Commission; second by Michael Volk, vote 5-0-0.

5. Future Projects

Michael Volk asked members to rank the projects on his spreadsheet as "1", "2", or "3" in priority and return the rankings to him by next week.

6. Demolition Delay Bylaw

The Commission discussed the outreach required to pass a Demolition Delay Bylaw at Town Meeting and the change in their responsibilities should the Bylaw be adopted. Paul Shultz moved to submit the bylaw for the Fall 2023 Town Meeting, second by Mark Terra-Salomão, vote 5-0-0.

7. Minutes – January 31, 2022

Mark Terra-Salomão corrected the spelling of “Hubert School”. Mike Volk moved to accept the minutes as amended, second by Mark Terra-Salomão vote 5-0-0.

8. Other Business

Mike Volk said he would like to get CPC funding for a sign or kiosk at Gleasondale Junction near the ARRT. Pam Helinek said she would reach out to Paul Jahnige from DCR to request permission. Mike Volk also suggested a historical marker about the Great Fire of 1894 placed near the Downtown Rotary. Peter Breton suggested that the Commission plan all of the markers it would like to make and go to CPC with one request.

9. Next Meeting

The Commission agreed to cancel the meeting scheduled on June 27, 2022 and plan to meet in July.

10. Adjournment

Paul Schulz moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Michael Volk, vote 5-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.