



Town of Hudson

Historical Commission

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Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2022

1. Roll Call

Mark Terra-Salomão called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Members present: Paul Shultz; Al Morel; Mark Terra-Salomão; Michael Volk; Ron Sorgman (arrived 7:21PM)

Staff: Pam Helinek

2. Hudson History Signs

Al Morel presented an overview of the Hudson History Signs program, funded by the Community Preservation Act. The program is based on Marlborough's Museum in the Streets, but will cover a smaller area and the signs will be less wordy. Phase 1 is already funded and will include 4 signs. Phase 2 will be on the Fall Town Meeting warrant and includes 3 additional signs. A later phase will add online assets.

Al Morel moved to approve the program as described in his presentation, second by Mark Terra-Salomão, vote 5-0-0. Mark Terra-Salomão moved to authorize Al Morel to make decisions and represent the Commission for the program, second by Paul Shultz, vote 5-0-0.

3. Future Projects

Michael Volk presented a spreadsheet with possible future projects, and asked members to rank the projects by their priority, either by choosing their top 5 or by numbering all the suggested projects 1-20.

4. Minutes – June 13, 2022

Mark Terra-Salomão moved to accept the minutes from June 13, 2022, second by Al Morel, vote 5-0-0.

5. Other Business

- Intel site development – Michael Volk requested that the Commission submit a letter to the Planning Board asking them to protect the remains of the Stowe Mansion on the Intel property near Forest Ave. Mark Terra-Salomão suggested that the letter also request that the developer notify the Historical Commission if any other historical artifacts are found during construction. Mark Terra-Salomão will supply the appropriate text for this item, and Michael Volk will draft a letter to the Planning Board.
- Michael Volk said that he would like the Historical Commission to be included in all Planning Board project reviews. Pam Helinek said she had spoken to Kristina Johnson, Planning Director, about this request and recommended that one or two Commissioners discuss this with the Planning Board at one of their meetings. She suggested that the Commission requests a spot on an upcoming agenda. Michael Volk said he would prefer a bylaw change to require the Planning

Board to include the Historical Commission. Pam Helinek recommended starting with an informal discussion. The Commission agreed that an informal discussion was appropriate.

6. Next Meeting

A meeting is on the calendar for September 26, 2022. Pam Helinek said she cannot staff the meeting that night and suggested rescheduling. Al Morel said he would like to hold the meeting on September 26 without staff and volunteered to do the minutes.

7. Adjournment

Al Morel moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Ron Sorgman, vote 5-0-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.