



WELLFLEET HISTORICAL COMMISSION
300 Main Street – Town Hall
Wellfleet, Massachusetts 02667

The Wellfleet Historical Commission met remotely via Zoom on October 25, 2023.

Members Present: Merrill Mead-Fox, James McAuliffe, David Kornetsky, Catherine Andrews, Timothy Curley-Egan, Kevin Sheehan. Absent: Gordon Kahn. Also present: Josh and Patricia Stiles (owners), Representative from Renewal by Anderson. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Announcements:

Welcome to Kevin Sheehan, new WHC Commissioner.

Farwell to Commissioner Andrews, who is relocating to Washington DC. This will be her last WHC meeting.

1. 220 Main Street(1850; located in Wellfleet Center National Register District) Proposal to replace two casement windows on second floor facing Main Street, four windows on the third floor (two facing Main Street and two facing the back of the property), and one triangular window above the windows at the back of the property. (Presenter: Renewal by Anderson; Property Owners: Josh and Patricia Stiles). The property owners indicated that a deposit for the window work has already been made. The Commissioners asked that, in the future, Renewal by Anderson not accept deposits until after the project is presented to the WHC. The Commissioners also felt that the written specs pertaining to the trim were not detailed enough, hence the reason for conditional approval. Ms. Mead-Fox moved to approve this proposal as presented, with the condition that the trim on the two casement windows facing Main Street will match in size the trim on the existing double-hung window located next to the front door facing Main Street. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. Update of WHC page on Town website (McAuliffe, Kornetsky, and Andrews).

There have been additional edits to documents by Ms. Andrews. These will be sent to Mr. McAuliffe and Mr. Kornetsky. Ms. Mead-Fox will work with Mr. McAuliffe and Mr. Kornetsky to finalize documents. It was decided that the owner letter can be put into final form, but the letters should not get sent out until the new website is completely up and running.

3. Implementation of new Demolition Delay Bylaw. In the interest of time, this agenda item was deferred to a later meeting.

4. Recruitment of new member. There is a commissioner vacancy to be filled now that Ms. Andrews is departing. Ms. Mead-Fox has one lead identified by Mr. Kahn that she will pursue. Ideally, the new commissioner should be willing to be a Co-Chair.

5. Possible projects for the upcoming year. Suggestions included: 1) A celebration that would honor a Wellfleet owner that has undertaken a renovation project that exemplifies the WHC's mission of preserving and protecting historical assets, 2) a historic plaque program, 3) tours of restored historic buildings. It was also suggested that a starting point that incorporates all 3 suggestions could be a celebratory event focused on a single preservation project that includes presentation of a historic plaque to the owner and tours of the home. Several Commissioners expressed interest in working on this. Another suggestion was to rearrange the form Bs found in the library so that they are in order of street name rather than WHC number. Mr. Kornetsky volunteered to lead this endeavor. Mr. Curley-Egan plans on presenting his updated PowerPoint to realtors in early 2024.

Minutes: Ms. Mead-Fox moved to accept the 9/6/2023 minutes, which were unanimously approved.

Accounting (McAuliffe). The CPA grant proposal was approved, which included funding for 36 additional Form Bs (\$12,000), and a set-aside (\$3,000) for WHC projects, workshops, events, and programs.

Next meeting: 12/6/2023

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, David Kornetsky, Secretary

