

Provincetown Historical Commission

Meeting of Wednesday, February 6, 2019; Bow Sprit Room, Provincetown Public Library

Attending: Susan Avellar, Polly Burnell, Anika Costa, Deborah Minsky, Julia Perry

Absent Excused: Stephen Borkowski

Called to Order at 5:05 P.M.

1. There were no Public comments.
2. Board voted to approve application by the Fine Arts Work Center to remodel the Stanley Kunitz Commons Room by a vote of 3-2. The negative votes represented the concerns of those members that the application indicated an intention to replace an original barn door - which would change the appearance of the exterior in a manner that was not necessitated by the changes planned for within. There was discussion about whether the barn door was an historic artifact that should be reused or otherwise preserved.
3. The Chair reported that it appeared that the application of the Commission to the Community Preservation Committee for a grant to restore the Quadrant Map would be successful. The matter now goes before the Town Meeting to approve funding.
4. Member Anika Costa is now an employee of the Center for Coastal Studies. While working there she came across a NOAA (National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration) map dated January 22, 1977. Since the Center indicated that they had no further need for it, she asked if it could be donated to the Historical Commission as an historic artifact.
5. Artifacts of the Town of Provincetown - general discussion: At the next Meeting we will discuss prioritizing artifacts for preservation, as suggested by the Community Preservation Committee. The members expressed interest particularly in the clock hands (previously stored in the attic of Town Hall), and the Weir blueprint (currently located in the VFW).
6. Minutes for November 24, 2018, were accepted as amended by a vote of 5-0-0.
7. Next Meeting will be February 27 at 5 pm in the Library.

Adjourned at 6:02.