

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

May 17, 2000

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Members Present: John Dowd, Roger Keene, Chairman, Austin Knight, Ardis Markarian, Dr. Fred Pappalardo (arrived at 9:05a), and Gino Verzone.

Member Absent: Linton Watts (excused absence)

Agenda:

Work Session:

Review applications for Public Meeting

Provincetown High School

Review of planned school renovation project

19 Winthrop Street

Build deck; change window to slider

(Not on agenda but discussed anyway):

Whaler's Wharf at 237-241 Commercial Street

Review of façade plans

Approval of Minutes

Any other business which shall properly come before the Commission

Work Session:

Roger Keene told the group about an Historical Burial Ground conference he had just attended in Worcester. The biggest problem cemeteries face is – as well as the damages from weather, acid rain, etc. – is damage from vandalism. Michelle Jarusiewicz has been contacted regarding the grant available for burial ground refurbishing. The Commission will keep in touch with her about the progression.

Motion: A motion was made to accept the minutes of the May 3rd meeting as amended. (The addition of Roger Keene's name was made to the next to last sentence in the 1st paragraph of page 2 - "*It seemed, to John and Roger, it might...*") **It was seconded and unanimously approved.**

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m

Provincetown High School (Review of planned school renovation project)

Burton Wolfman and Susan Fleming, superintendent attended the meeting. Mr. Wolfman described the project and assured the Commission that all the plans had been filed and had been received by the Department of Regulatory Management. He spoke of the deadline for submission for a grant. The submission had a June 1st deadline and the awards would be made on June 19th. Burton Wolfman also said the renovations would be merely bringing the building up to code. There may be internal programmatic changes but the replacement of windows at the High School would be "in kind." If they replace with new windows, the cost will be \$40/square foot and if they repair the windows it will cost \$25/square foot.

Susan Fleming assured the Commission that all the pictures of the proposed renovation had been sent to Judith Oset. Gino Verzone wondered why, since it was less expensive, wouldn't repair be the only consideration. Susan said new windows would be more energy efficient.

Motion: Roger Keene made a motion "not to refer" and it was seconded by John Dowd with the following stipulations:

1. the replacement windows would be vinyl clad wood with permanently applied exterior muntins.
2. Windows be of the same design i.e., same number of panes.

It was approved unanimously.

19 Winthrop Street (Build deck; change window to slider)

Steve A. Manicoll (SAM) presented the plan on behalf of Phil Graham. It was a quickly approved project after a few minor questions.

Motion: Fred Pappalardo made a motion “not to refer” and John Dowd seconded; it was accepted as presented. The vote was unanimously in favor.

173 Commercial Street (Replace octagonal windows with square ones)

Mary Henrique, the owner of the building, presented the project on her own behalf. The Commission was very much in favor of her proposed changes.

Motion: John Dowd made a motion “not to refer” and Fred Pappalardo seconded it; it passed unanimously.

Whaler’s Wharf – 237-241 Commercial Street (another presentation of previously reviewed façade)

The owner and architects came back with a revised façade which included a pediment rising above the cap that had been decided upon at the last meeting. After much discussion the following motion was made:

Motion: Fred Pappalardo made a motion “not to refer” with Gino Verzone seconding it. The vote was four in favor with one abstention.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

The form to be used in any approvals was discussed at length. John Dowd suggested that the more pictures furnished to prospective renovators, the better. People really don’t have the patience to read dimensions, thus, pictures first with details second would be valuable. Fred also mentioned there should be a disclaimer on the application referring to material purchased prior to application being approved.

The Emporium and its renovation was one topic under discussion.

Austin Knight agreed to be the contact person for the High School renovation. Since it wasn’t mentioned during the time the High School representatives were in attendance, perhaps Roger or Austin might give Burton W or Susan F a call.

A lot of conversation was given up to “in memoriam” spots and cemetery conservation. Roger wants everyone to think about preservation. To be continued at a later meeting.....

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 7th.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano