

Provincetown Historical Commission
January 5, 2007
Minutes

Meeting called to order 8:30 AM

Members Present: Eric Dray, Stephen Milkewicz, Taylor Polites, Char Priolo

Also present: Doug Johnstone, Maxine Notaro

Members Absent: Polly Burnell (excused), Austin Knight (excused)

1. Approval of Minutes

Polites moved to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2006 meeting. Milkewicz seconded.

Vote: 3-0-0

2. Update on the Historic Preservation Project

Doug Johnstone updated the Commission on the progress of the Project. Currently, three of the ten priority collections have been completed. Scanning has begun. A call for additional volunteers will be made to help expedite the Project.

3. Report on CPC Funding

Milkewicz provided an update regarding the status of CPC Funding requests. Currently, the Historical Commission has no funding requests before the CPC. Johnstone provided an update regarding the CPC Funding request being made on behalf of the Historic Preservation Project.

4. Report on Town Buildings

Dray updated the Commission regarding the status of funds approved at prior town meetings for the renovation of Town Hall. He reported that David Guertin of the Department of Public Works notified Town Manager Keith Bergman that no additional work would be started until the spring.

Dray reported that a Request for Proposal was made by the Library for the renovation of the belfry and that bids were currently being accepted.

Dray mentioned that discussions regarding the future of Firehouse No. 2 were ongoing.

An open discussion ensued regarding the recent demolition and reconstruction of a number of buildings within the Historic District. A number of attendees voiced concerns regarding homeowners' and contractors' subversion of regulations of the Historic District Commission and the working relationship between the Historic District Commission and the Building Inspector.

5. Historic District Commission Assistance

Priolo stated that the Historic District Commission building guidelines would be made available at the Building Inspectors office. Notaro noted that the copies would be made available today.

Priolo also said that the Historic District Commission guidelines would be made available on the town website.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: Friday, February 2, 2007 8:30 AM