

APPROVED MINUTES
Barnstable Historical Commission
Barnstable Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis
Selectmen's Conference Room
August 21, 2018

BARNSTABLE TOWN CLERK

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Nancy Clark, Chair	Present
Nancy Shoemaker, Vice Chair	Present
Marilyn Fifield, Clerk	Absent
George Jessop	Absent
Elizabeth Mumford	Present
Cheryl Powell	Present
Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Town Council Liaison	Absent
Paul Wackrow, Principal Planner	Present

Chair, Nancy Clark called the meeting to order at **4:01 pm**

Acting under the provisions of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, ss 112-1 through 112-7, the Historical Commission held a Public Hearing on the following applications previously determined significant and referred to Public Hearing:

APPLICATIONS

McAdams, Timothy, 809 Main Street, Cotuit, Map 035, Parcel 067, Alfred Bearse House and Shop, built 1849, Contributing Building in a National Register Historic District

Full demolition and rebuild of the detached garage; partial demolition of the South, West, and North elevations to make room for addition including a wrap-around farmer's porch

Steve Devlin, Central Cape Construction, designer, builder, and abutter, described the project, noting that he is looking to remove the antique shop.

Nancy Shoemaker confirmed that the entire single-family structure would not be demolished, and Mr. Devlin noted that the changes would not be within Main Street view.

Motion I: Nancy Shoemaker moved, seconded by Cheryl Powell

Vote: Nay, unanimous

Motion II: Nancy Shoemaker moved, seconded by Elizabeth Mumford

Vote: Aye, Unanimous - no demolition delay imposed

OTHER

- o Mumford reported on her village civic association meeting regarding BHC inventory efforts.
- o Upcoming historical events open to the public were announced
- o Cheryl Powell confirmed that her nomination by BHC for appointment to the Hyannis Historic District Commission is proceeding through the Town Council process.
- o Nancy Shoemaker inquired if the Town could look into the eight headstones that date back to the 1600s in Lothrop Hill Cemetery, as they may be damaged from mowing and weed-whacking. Nancy Clark suggested possible CPA funding for their repair and protection.

Review of Historic Inventories

1. Overview of different types of building documentation
2. Inventory status of historic properties in Barnstable (recently inventoried, inventoried 20+ years ago, and never inventoried)
3. Discussion of inventory needs with stakeholders

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4. Available resources

Chair Clark welcomed village representatives Gene Guill, Ralph Krau, David Martin, Jim Gould, Greg Ketchen and Ed Maroney for review of historic inventories.

Paul Wackrow narrated his PowerPoint presentation, noting the need to fill the gaps in historic inventory forms, including over 1,000+ un-inventoried historic properties. Referring to MHC online Macris maps, he noted that there are many areas that are not covered.

Jim Gould recommended *A Field Guide to American Houses* by Virginia Savage McAlester for reference in completing inventory forms, along with deeds and probate documents, and Nancy Clark noted that the detail provided on Inventory forms is especially helpful when looking at a potential demolition. She reminded that outbuildings are very important, as well, and many are not documented.

Mr. Wackrow said that with BHC as the gatekeeper of the inventory forms, the Commission would review and accept drafts before forwarding them to the Mass. Historical Commission, and he noted that the 2010 Historic Preservation Plan reported that 1,500 properties over 75 years old had not been documented, and he agreed that seeking CPA funding and volunteers would be a good place to start. Discussion also included documenting sites, original sites of moved structures, and archaeological sites.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nancy Shoemaker moved, seconded by Cheryl Powell, to approve the June 19, 2018, minutes, and then Nancy Shoemaker moved, seconded by Cheryl Powell, to approve the July 17, 2018, with Cheryl Powell's correction deleting the word "alternate" after her name.

Next meetings: September 18, 2018 & October 16, 2018

With no further business before this Commission, a motion was duly made by Cheryl Powell and seconded by Elizabeth Mumford to adjourn the meeting at 5:12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Erin K. Logan, Recording Secretary
and Commission Clerk Marilyn Fifield

Exhibit A	NOID	File 035/067/000
Exhibit B	Minutes	June 19, 2018
Exhibit C	Minutes	July 17, 2018