

MINUTES: Waltham Historical Commission Meeting  
Held in the Auditorium at Government Center 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Monday, April 9, 2018 7:00 p.m.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:20 p.m.

2. Call of the Roll:

Present: Commissioner Daly, Commissioner Russo, Commissioner Holmes, Commissioner Isaacson, Commissioner Dufromont, Commissioner Cox, Commissioner Wilson

Absent: None

3. Reading and acceptance of March 2018 minutes:

Amendments: 1. If any; #2 Commissioner Russo written twice, 2. 10C bottom, historical consultant not person.

Motion to accept the minutes as amended, made by Commissioner Daly

Second: Commissioner Wilson

In favor: ALL      Against: None      Abstain: None      Recused: None

4. Chair: Announcements: Historic New England, new affordable housing program, leading advocates in past present and future, preserving older homes that are being torn down being replaced by multi units. Anybody is welcome on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018, more info visit Historic New England website.

5. Chair: Reading and description of correspondence: Received a letter from Preservation Massachusetts opposing the taking of the land from the Robert Treat Paine Estate. City of Waltham Human Resources Department is accepting applications for the Public Works Summer Program anyone interested should apply through Human Resources.

6. Chair: Public hearings: None

7. Stonehurst: Monthly Report, Stonehurst Curator Ann Clifford

A report was submitted to the commission. Topics discussed included the roof project, upcoming programs and the new sewer line being installed.

Landscape: building construction on the roof is nearly complete, waiting on the architect to come out and check the final work.

Upcoming programs were discussed and anyone interested can get more information on the Paine Estate website.

New Items: A proposed fence that the school committee is reviewing between the Paine Estate and the High School. Ann read an email that she sent to both Commissioner Isaacson and Bill Doyle of the Conservation Commission earlier this afternoon, April 9, 2018, updating them both on the proposed fence. All commission members were sent this email earlier today. A small discussion was held amongst the commission regarding the idea of installing a fence on the

property at the High School, and from a historic standpoint, how that would affect the Paine Estate. The commission would like some clarification on exactly where this proposed fence will be put, and would like to see a map indicating the location. Commissioner Isaacson has offered to write a letter to the school committee and ask for some clarification on this issue.

Entertain a motion for Commissioner Isaacson to write a letter to the school committee asking for more clarification on the proposed fence by Commissioner Wilson

Second: Commissioner Holmes

In Favor: ALL                      Recused: None                      Abstain: None                      Against: None

Sewer project, the contractors came out and put some marks on the ground. The marks were questioned by Ann Clifford, since some of the marks looked as though the sewer line would run straight through some old trees on the premises.

Entertain a motion to contact Steve Casazza through a letter expressing concern that they consult with the WHC and Ann Clifford that no harm is done to the historic landscape and they work with Ann to answer her questions before any construction begins moved by

Commissioner Cox

Second: Commissioner Dufromont

In Favor: All                      Recused: None                      Abstain: None                      Against: None

#### 8. Wellington Report:

Summary: A report was provided by Pam Lyons regarding the Wellington House. The heat is complete and fixed. Site Visit with the Mayor and others was discussed. Applying for a CPC application was approved by the commission and voted on.

Motion to apply for a CPC application for the Wellington House moved by Commissioner Cox

Second: Commissioner Russo

In Favor: ALL                      Recused: None                      Abstain: None                      Against: None

#### 9. Liaison Reports

a. Fernald – No report at this time.

b. CPC- Meeting tomorrow night (4/10/2018)

c. Historic Inventory- A small update was given by Commissioner Daly on Elsie Turner Field on the beginning phase of the removal of the trees, and a small update on the Stonewall Survey Project. A meeting took place with Berkshire Design Group, the work has been delayed due to snow on the ground. Purchasing Department thought we need to send out a letter to the abutters, which Pam has taken care of and done. Final letters will be sent out this week. Cori checks are being processed by the city Human Resource Department as we speak.

d. Edu. & Outreach- In your packet, there is a three page draft for a new brochure to be put out by this Commission.

Motion to have Pam begin the process of printing/quote moved by Commissioner Dufromont

Second: Commissioner Holmes

In Favor: ALL                      Recused: None                      Abstain: None                      Against: None

10. Old Business

- a. Discussion of 380 Lexington Street: Commissioner Isaacson spoke about the RFQ sent out by the purchasing department to find a historical preservationist for the house on 380 Lexington St. Commissioner Isaacson read through the proposal sent out by the purchasing department. The commission would like to go back to the purchasing agent and clarify that the RFQ address if the house can be safely moved, not if the house is historically significant. Commissioner Isaacson will request a site visit of the house.

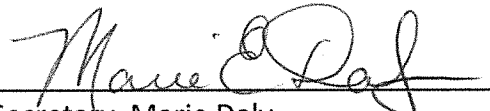
11. New Business

- a. Discussion of 2019 WHC Budget  
Increase Paine Furnishings line item by \$500.00  
Motion to accept the proposed budget moved by Commissioner Daly  
Second: Commissioner Cox  
In Favor: ALL      Recused: None      Abstain: None      Against: None

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Cox  
Second: Commissioner Dufromont  
In favor: All      Recused: None      Abstain: None      Against: None

Respectfully Submitted

  
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Secretary, Marie Daly  
Prepared by Pamela Lyons