

HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 1, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM

Members present:

George Wheatley
Michael LeTerz
Bob DeGroot

Absent:

Michael Danti

Fitch property update: Read email update from Uwe Tobias. Said the cider mill has been completed taken apart...parts have been salvaged and stored for now. Saw mill has been secured, and a tarp is covering its roof for now. Restoration of this mill has begun.

George presents information from Virginia May's book regarding the location of the Longley family grave. Committee discusses their understanding that the field on this property may be subdivided. Bob sends note to Paula Martin to request an update on the situation with this land and the potential location of this mass family grave. Committee agrees that this grave must be preserved.

Future agendas will have National Register Historic District item replaced with National Register nomination for the Old Meetinghouse.

Discussed 11 Station Ave permit application. Committee is comfortable with plans as proposed provided no interior or exterior structural changes are made. Committee has asked for additional detail on proposed remodel.

George brings up the 11 Broadmeadow project and asked why this house has been gutted. Bob explains the agreement with build was for far less than what's been done. Committee has no idea what happened here.

Committee agrees again that 122 Old Ayer Road demo permit should be approved. George was able to document this property on 27 May. Committee agrees that a note will be sent to Gary Shepherd regarding any/all artifacts found on the property and the need to preserve those.

No update on the Meetinghouse CPA project

Discussion around Hollis St property. It's in the Hist District. Bob will contact Sanford Johnson to discuss how to compel homeowners to make needed restoration efforts

Gardner House at Groton School has been demolished.

Committee discusses recently approved CPA Historic Monument project. Mike LeTerz is concerned about the nature of the proposed powerwashing on these stones. Has asked for better understanding of the process to be used. Lawrence Stone on the Lawrence Estate. Any way it can be moved to Historic Society on Main St??

Motion to adjourn made by Mike LeTerz, second from George Wheatley. Motion carries by unanimous (3-0) vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM