

Groton Historical Commission
Meeting minutes for 22 March 2018
Groton Town Hall
7PM- First Floor Conference Room

Present: Michael LaTerz, George Wheatley, Paul Keen, Bob DeGroot

Absent: Michael Danti

Guests: Steve Lieman, Lynn Spencer (by phone)

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM.

1. Michael Roberts Remembrance
2. Prescott House discussion
 - A. Shay's Rebellion letter. George calls into question some historic details.
 - B. Susan Dunleavy letter and enclosures. Reviewed and discussed regarding current CPA application for JD Poor mural preservation. Discussed HistComm support for mural relocation.
 - C. HDC communication from Peter Benedict to Bob DeGroot/HistComm re Prescott House Preservation.
 - D. Discussion continued: Lynn Spencer's phone call is received.
3. Lynn Spencer from Spencer & Vogt re Old Meeting House National Register application project.
 - a. HistComm discussed research done and materials reviewed by Lynn in her work to assemble this NR application.
 - b. Mass Historical Commission acknowledgement (of receipt of Lynn's completed NR application) letter is discussed.
4. Item 2 discussion is continued: Question of support of the CPA application for JD Poor mural preservation is discussed. Committee agrees to continue to support this application.
 - a. Committee agrees that Peter Benedict should be told/reminded that HistComm agreed to approve the demolition application for Bates House in exchange for preservation of Prescott House.
 - b. HistComm agrees that a successful mural preservation project would be good PR for Prescott House preservation.
5. Prescott Stone relocation project: need to speak with HDC to get their support. That done, arrange to speak with BOS. During this BOS discussion, need to remind BOS of John and Martha patio; Large maple scheduled for removal has compromised this area. Once tree is removed, HistComm would like to propose relocation of Prescott Stone to this patio immediately adjacent to Groton Town Hall.

Next meeting scheduled for 12 April 2018.

Motion to adjourn is made by Paul Keen, seconded by Michael Danti. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 850 PM.