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Grafton Historical Commission
7:00 PM, June 16, 2015
Grafton Municipal Center, Conference Room B

A regular meeting of the Grafton Historical Commission was held on June 16, 2015.

Members Present: Chairwoman Ruth Anderson, Vice Chairwoman Ann Morgan, David Therrien (left the meeting at 7:14 p.m.), Donna Girouard, Mark Fobert (joined the meeting at 7:09 p.m.)

Chairwoman Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. New Business

A. Reorganization of Commission

Motion to appoint Ruth Anderson as Chairwoman for the following year made by Ann Morgan, seconded by Donna Girouard. Motion passed 3-1 (Morgan – AYE; Girouard – AYE; Therrien – AYE; Anderson – NAY)

Motion to appoint Ann Morgan as Vice Chairwoman for the following year made by Ruth Anderson, seconded by Donna Girouard. Motion passed 3-1 (Morgan – NAY; Girouard – AYE; Therrien – AYE; Anderson – AYE)

Motion to appoint Rob Aberg as Clerk for the following year made by Ann Morgan, seconded by Ruth Anderson. Motion passed unanimously (Morgan – AYE; Girouard – AYE; Therrien – AYE; Anderson – AYE)

B. Bills — no bills.

C. Tercentenary Signs Project — Mr. Therrien noted that all three signs had been beautifully restored and have been put in storage at the Town's highway barn awaiting reinstallation. Ms. Morgan provided a brief update on the application submitted to the Historic District Commission and placement of the Hassanamesit sign on the Common. The Historical Commission's application was approved. She has spoken with Highway Superintendent Dave Crouse and he noted that the Parks & Cemeteries Department would be responsible for the installation which will occur sometime after the June 20th Antiques Fair to be held on the Common. Mr. Crouse had indicated that the pole for the Hassanamesit sign needed to be refurbished. The other signs (Thomas Hooker, Indian Reservation) would be likely be installed by the Highway Department since they will be repositioned in their original locations within the Town's right of way. Dave Therrien and Ann Morgan agreed to coordinate with Dave Crouse on both these issues.

Mr. Fobert joined the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

The Commission decided that a ribbon cutting would not be necessary but that a press release was in order once all three signs had been reinstalled.

Ruth Anderson stated that the Commission should formally recognize the work of Worcester Technical High School in refurbishing the signs and the donation of materials made by Peterson Steel. This needs to be part of the press release once the signs have been reinstalled.

Motion to direct the Chairwoman to send a letter of recognition and thanks to both the Worcester Technical High School and Peterson Steel for their donation of time, materials and services towards refurbishing the three tercentenary signs made by Ann Morgan, seconded by Donna Girouard. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

David Therrien excused himself from the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

2. New Business

- A. Minutes — the minutes of May 14, 2015 were presented for review and editing. Donna Girouard moved to accept the minutes, as amended. Dave Therrien seconded, the motion carried 5-0.
- B. Workshop Dates for MHC Inventory — this item was tabled to the next regular meeting of the Commission.
- C. Request for Comments – none.
- D. Historical Commission FY2016 Budget – Ms. Anderson noted that she had received the Historical Commission's budget sheet for FY2016. It is \$2,000.

3. Executive Session

None held.

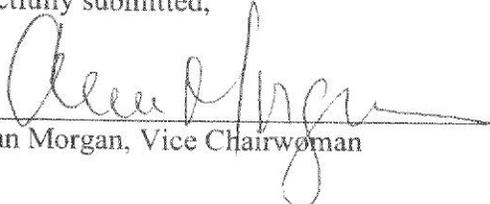
4. Schedule Next Meeting

The Commission decided not to meet in July. The next meeting will be held on August 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Ann Morgan, seconded by Donna Girouard. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Ann Morgan, Vice Chairwoman