



# Town of Sudbury

## Historical Commission

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### MINUTES

JULY 12, 2022

### VIRTUAL MEETING

Present: Chair Chris Hagger, Vice-Chair Diana Warren, Treasurer Jan Costa, Steve Greene, Marjorie Katz, Chris Durall, Kathryn McGrath

Absent: Diana Cebra

Others Present: Preservation Consultant Peter Benton; Planning and Community Development Director Adam Duchesneau; Planning & Zoning Coordinator Beth Perry

Mr. Hagger opened the Historical Commission meeting at 6:33 PM. Roll Call was taken: Durall-present, Hagger-present, Katz-present, Greene-present, McGrath-present, Warren-present, Costa-present

#### **Approval of April 5th, 2022, May 10th, 2022, May 17th, 2022, June 7th, 2022, June 21st, 2022 and July 7th, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

##### May 10, 2022 Minutes

**Mr. Hagger motioned to approve the May 10, 2022 Minutes of the Sudbury Historical Commission, as edited. Ms. Costa seconded the motion. It was on motion 7-0; Durall-aye, Hagar-aye, McGrath-aye, Katz-aye, Greene-aye, Warren-aye, Costa-aye.**

##### May 17, 2022 Minutes

**Mr. Hagger motioned to approve the May 17, 2022 Minutes of the Sudbury Historical Commission, as edited. Ms. Costa seconded the motion. It was on motion 5-0-2; Durall-aye, Hagar-aye, McGrath-abstain, Greene-aye, Costa-aye, Warren-abstain, Katz-aye.**

#### **Historical Commission Finance Reports**

Ms. Costa highlighted the monthly finance reports. She confirmed the receipt of insulating shades for the Hosmer House, and she thanked Diana Cebra and Kathryn McGrath for their efforts. Mr. Hagger inquired about the outstanding balance left for the general fund.

#### **Section 106 Review and Memorandum of Agreement**

Ms. Warren noted there was nothing new to add in regard to the Section 106 Review and Memorandum of Agreement document. Ms. Warren confirmed the submittal of 40+ resident e-mails in favor of the Commission not signing the Memorandum of Agreement as submitted by the United States Army Corp of Engineers. Mr. Hagger noted that Town Counsel confirmed he would be reviewing this aspect and would report back to the Commission.

### **Sudbury Demolition Delay Bylaw**

Mr. Hagger noted that he and several Commissioners met with Town Counsel regarding the Sudbury Demolition Delay Bylaw and conveyed related questions as presented by Commissioners, with special consideration of partial demolition delay.

Mr. Hagger stated he would send another related communication to Town Counsel.

### **Historic Preservation Plan Update/discussion**

Ms. Warren stated there was much to discuss at the next meeting concerning the Historic Preservation Plan.

### **Mass Historical Commission Certified Local Government Program**

Mr. Durall provided related update for the Commission. Mr. Hagger acknowledged the goal was to present the program updates to the Town by the end of the summer. Ms. Warren questioned the review of the Preservation Program Statement.

### **Eagle Scout Hosmer House Website update**

Mr. Durall provided a brief update.

### **Hosmer House**

Ms. McGrath highlighted the status regarding storage of different types of materials located at the Hosmer House. Ms. Costa opined about the benefits of educating the public about the Hosmer House. Commissioners discussed the opening and extended schedule of the Hosmer House.

### **Historic House Marker Program**

No comments from Commissioners.

### **Sudbury Granite Markers**

No comments from Commissioners.

### **Rail Road Section House Roof**

Mr. Greene provided detail regarding the requirements listed on the lease with the MBTA, and highlighted aspects involving building maintenance. Mr. Hagger suggested the new facilities manager appear before the Commission at an upcoming meeting.

Discussion evolved about the replacement sign for Hearse House and its location.

#### **Cemetery Stone Restoration/Return of Cemetery Stones to Natick**

Mr. Greene reported the stones were repaired and re-installed by the Natick Historical Commission. Mr. Greene mentioned a discussion with a reporter from Wicked Local, and a possible feature story.

Commissioners discussed a possible group visit to the Hearse House.

#### **Historical Commission Member Candidate Appointments/Reappointments**

Mr. Hagger inquired if Ms. McGrath and Ms. Katz had been sworn in as full members of the Commission. Ms. McGrath confirmed she had been officially appointed. Ms. Katz confirmed she had been officially reappointed.

#### **Date for Next Meeting(s)**

Mr. Hagger stated the next SHC meetings were scheduled for July 14, 2022 and on August 16, 2022.

#### **Motion to Adjourn**

**Mr. Hagger motioned to adjourn the Sudbury Historical Commission meeting. Ms. Warren seconded the motion. It was on motion 7-0; Durall-aye, Hagar-aye, McGrath-aye, Katz-aye, Greene-aye, Warren-aye, Costa-aye.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:05 PM.