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MINUTES

DECEMBER 13, 2021 AT 11:00 AM

VIRTUAL MEETING

Members Present: Chair Fred Taylor, Vice Chair Susanna Finn, Anuraj Shah, and Taryn Trexler

Members Absent: William Andreas

Others Present: Director of Planning and Community Development Adam Duchesneau and Planning and Zoning Coordinator Beth Perry

Mr. Taylor called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.

Discussion on Historic Preservation Plan with Heritage Strategies, LLC

Peter Benton from Heritage Strategies, LLC was present to discuss his firm's ongoing efforts to develop a Historic Preservation Plan for the community. He spoke of his company, his background, and past projects his firm had tackled.

The project schedule for the Historic Preservation Plan was reviewed.

Changes to agricultural uses in the community were discussed.

Mr. Benton then asked for question or comments from the Historic Districts Commission.

Mr. Taylor inquired if Mr. Benton had spoken to any other Town boards, committees, commissions. Mr. Benton indicated he had only spoken to individuals, but had plans to discuss the Historic Preservation Plan with other relevant Town commissions.

Mr. Shah expressed concerns that some buildings which are historically significant are outside of the local historic districts and sometimes there are situations where a historic district boundary crosses directly through a building, which creates a challenging permitting situation.

Ms. Finn mentioned getting a homeowner that is within a historic district, but is not in a historical dwelling, to understand and appreciate keeping their home in kind with the historic buildings in the surrounding area.

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At 12:17 PM, Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Finn seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Taylor – Aye, Ms. Finn – Aye, Mr. Shah – Aye, and Ms. Trexler – Aye.