

**Bolton Historical Commission
Minutes of Meeting
January 5, 2022**

Attendees:

Co-Chairmen: Martha Remington, Robert Busch

Members Present: Jeannemarie Padovano, Alice Coggeshall, and Robert Tattersall

Guest : Craig Bovaird, Tim Hess, Tim Murphy, and Mary Ciummo

Zoom meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

1. **Plaques** - Martha Remington met with the Cemetery Committee who approved installation of the already-procured plaques at West and Old South Cemetery.
2. **East Bolton National Historic District** - On 12/30/21 we received a draft application from Anne Forbes on the work she is doing to add East Bolton National Historic District to the registry.
3. **NRHD Certificates** - The four framed NRHD certificates will be displayed in the Select Board room in Town Hall.
4. **Master Plan Committee** - No new updates. There is another meeting scheduled for January 27th. Mary Ciummo is hopeful that a grant will help the town properly assess how and where people shop, and that a map highlighting historic locations that would help in keeping them preserved.
5. **711- 713 Main Street** - Tim Hess (Design Director at Studio InSitu), Tim Murphy (Colonial Barn Restoration) & Craig Bovaird (property owner) briefed the Committee on the plans and progress at the properties. The blue house at 711 will be renovated into a shop/office space with plans for his daughter's interior design business to move in. The Candle Shop is already operating out of the property at 713 Main. C. Bovaird is working with T. Murphy and T. Hess on keeping the character of the houses as they renovate and restore. Parking is limited and will prove tricky on this spot. The barn is at some risk and as such may need to be replaced. T. Murphy's expert opinion is that the barn was not well constructed originally and is currently in rough shape. C. Bovaird proposed moving an antique barn of similar vintage and facade onto the spot rather than restoring. They hope to use the same foundation, incorporate the same round window, maintaining footprint and appearance of the current barn. They are working with window people to restore windows in both properties. M. Remington noted that the widening of Main St added more on-street parking up to the library, so that should alleviate some of their parking issues. She mentioned the need to engage ConCom and raised concerns about the feasibility of erecting another barn given the river that runs underneath. B. Busch inquired about the timeline and C. Bovaird said he is eager to finish the project. T. Hess is working on getting a survey done so as to determine precise boundaries. The overall project planning, design, and construction will be significant and executed in phases. Phase 1 will be renovation of the blue house at 711 Main St.
6. **Treasurer's Report**- A. Coggeshall reported that the 2022 budget is substantially committed. A. Coggeshall and M. Remington will be meeting with the Advisory Committee at their Jan 18th meeting to review the 2022 expenditures and the 2023

budget request. The Commission has requested the same budget request for 2023 as for last year.

7. **Minutes** - Dec 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

8. **Meeting adjourned** at 7:34p.

9. **Next meeting February 2, 2022.**

Respectfully submitted, Jeannemarie Padovano