

Arlington Historical Commission
Minutes for the Meeting of
Tuesday, 7 September 2010
Whittemore-Robbins House, 7:45 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Richard Duffy, Co-Chairman, presiding, with JoAnn Robinson and Commissioners Eric Stange, Dianne Schaefer and Patrick Guthrie.
2. Review of minutes from August 2010: Review of August minutes will be postponed.
3. Communications Received:
 - a. Message from Charles Gugliamo regarding repair of roof at 24 Summer St. Sign-off sheet sent to the Building Department.
 - b. Message from Jason Boone regarding DPW roof replacement. Presentation this evening.
 - c. Bank of America- 655 Massachusetts Ave. Replace exterior trim on roof.
 - d. Paul from Exterior Solutions replacing fascia and soffit (like with like) Less than 25%, no jurisdiction.
 - e. Owner of 84 Park Street –vinyl siding request..now thinking of restoration of siding with wood. Schedule for hearing in October.
 - f. Tom Schiabe- regarding 158 Robbins Road. Sign-off sent to Building Department. Not on Inventory.
4. Reports of other Town Boards and Historical Organizations:
 - a. Arlington Preservation Fund (Guthrie)) – Nothing to report.
 - b. Zoning By-Law Review Committee (Stange) – Nothing to report.
 - c. Arlington Historical Society (Meister) – No report. Season starts in October.
 - d. Old Schwamb Mill (Duffy) – Nothing to report.
 - e. Arlington Historic Districts Commission (Frisch) – No report.
 - f. Mill Brook Linear Park Study Committee (Robinson/Duffy)- Nothing to report.
 - g. Battle Road Scenic Byway/Tourism & Economic Development (Robinson)-Nothing to report.
 - h. Tourism and Economic Development (Robinson) –Next meeting on September 16.
 - i. Cooke’s Hollow (Robinson)- Final report completed and committee will review and then grant will be published.
5. Historical Commission FY 2011 Budget – \$2160.00 in budget. \$350 set aside for advertisements.
6. Projects Proceeding under Hearings and Approvals:

- a. 3-5 Brattle Street (Fertman) 4/02 Stange – Nothing to report.
- b. 821 Massachusetts Avenue (Noyes RT) 10/03; modified 4/08 Duffy – Fence taken down and house painted to match CVS.
- c. Symmes Hospital (Town of Arlington) 6/04 Duffy –Nothing to report.
- d. 21 Appleton Street (Colosimo) 4/08 Robinson – Side facing Massachusetts Ave. has Tyvek, monitor will check on this.
- e. 43-45 Massachusetts Ave.(Shapiro) 7/08 Schaefer – Nothing to report.
- f. 53 Brattle Street (Slebodnick) 6/09 Guthrie- Nothing to report.
- g. 6 Park Street (White) 12/09 Meister- No report.
- h. 9 Fessenden Road (1/10) / Duffy- Nothing to report.
- i. Jefferson Cutter House (1 Whittemore Park) 8/10 Robinson-Added August 3, 2010. – Nothing to report.

It was determined at this meeting that the work at 71 Walnut Street was completed and no longer required a monitor.

7. Continuing Projects

- a. Whittemore Robbins House (and outbuildings): Robinson – New gutters on back of house.
- b. Arlington Civic Block Garden: Robinson – Waiting for bids.
- c. Inventory Expansion and Review: Duffy, Robinson – Nothing to report.
- d. Education/Outreach: Duffy/Robinson – Nothing to report.
- e. Historic House Markers: Duffy – Nothing to report.
- f. Town Hall: Duffy – Monitoring repair of plaster . Ivan Myjer in touch with John Flood regarding stone and cleaning of masonry and repair of clock tower (included in the FEMA report)
- g. Web Site: Stange –We now have a gmail account (arlhistcommission@gmail.com) for messages. Eric Stange will look into having a Commissioner’s only section (Who’s Who) on the website.
- h. Fire alarm antenna installations: Schaefer- Nothing to report.

8. Discussion and Hearing:

8:00pm-

Presenter- Jason Boone and Kenneth Best presented plans for Partial Roof Replacement and Masonry Restoration of the Vehicle Maintenance Garage-Building C on Grove St.

A detailed presentation with showed pictures of existing condition of damaged areas of the exterior brick veneer, roofing membrane, membrane flashings, metal flashings, clay tile roofs, clay parapet caps, precast concrete parapet caps along with corrective action plans for all areas.

9. Old Business:

10. New Business:

- a. Town Day/September 25, 2010- Tent purchased for Town Day and all went well.
- b. FEMA/Insurance evaluation Town Hall and Whittemore Robbins House.

Town is applying for insurance claim to help with repairs to the water damages to the Whittemore Robbins House and Town Hall and are planning on having a historic consultant look at the Town Hall clock tower leak.

- c. This was Mr. Duffy's final meeting as a chairman for the Arlington Historical Commission, he was thanked by the Commission for his service and will be continuing as an Associate Commissioner.

The Arlington Historical Commission meeting adjourned at 9:40pm

The next Arlington Historical Commission meeting will be October 2010.

For the Arlington Historical Commission, Victoria Rose, Recording Secretary.