

Arlington Historical Commission
Minutes for the Meeting of
Tuesday, 2 November 2010
Whittemore-Robbins House, 7:45 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Chairman, presiding, JoAnn Robinson and Commissioners Pamela Meister, Jane Becker, Eric Stange, Dianne Schaefer, Patrick Guthrie and Richard Duffy.
2. Review of minutes: September minutes reviewed and approved.
3. Communications Received:
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 – Progress made.
 - b. 821 Massachusetts Avenue (Noyes RT) 10/03; modified 4/08 Duffy – Clean up has been done.
 - c. Symmes Hospital (Town of Arlington) 6/04 Duffy –No changes.
 - d. 21 Appleton Street (Colosimo) 4/08 Robinson – Side facing Massachusetts Ave. has Tyvek, monitor unable to reach owner regarding plans.
 - e. 53 Brattle Street (Slebodnick) 6/09 Guthrie- Nothing to report.
 - f. 6 Park Street (White) 12/09 Meister- No report.
 - g. 9 Fessenden Road (1/10) / Duffy- Nothing to report.
 - h. 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 43-45 Massachusetts Ave. was completed and no longer required a monitor.

7. Continuing Projects

- a. Whittemore Robbins House (and outbuildings): Robinson – Firebox removed and left a large hole. Discussion about how to cover: Historical marker with wording or Dutchman repair.
- b. Arlington Civic Block Garden: Robinson – Nothing to report.
- c. Inventory Expansion and Review: Duffy, Robinson – Nothing to report.
- d. Education/Outreach: Duffy/Robinson – Nothing to report.
- e. Historic House Markers: Duffy – No requests.
- 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. Work to continue on Commissioner's only site.
- h. Fire alarm antenna installations: Schaefer- Nothing to report.

8. Discussion and Hearing:

8:00pm scheduled hearing for 49-53 Appleton Street rescheduled for 8:30pm on December 7, 2010.

Informal hearing for 18 Robin Hood Road. Joe Alueia-presented plans to enclose front porch with glass and remove bump out. The windows will be double hung with wood mullions and thermal pane. On exterior preference is to have the wood painted. Commissioners suggested preference to maintain current patterns for windows and to keep it simple. Views of the side and front with planned changes requested.

The Arlington Historical Commission meeting adjourned at

The next Arlington Historical Commission meeting will be December 7, 2010.

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