

NORTHBOROUGH HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting – October 21, 2009

Present: Norm Corbin, Marie A. Wyman, Russ Jones, Marie Nieber, Don Haitzma, and Stephen Anderson. John Coderre attended for a discussion.
Meeting called to order by chairman at 7:08 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the September 16th meeting.
Motion was accepted unanimously.

RFP Phase II Historic Properties Survey Update

Progress Report from PAST was reviewed period from September 12 to October 16.

National Historic Registration for Northborough Town Hall

The possibility of the Town Hall being put on National Historic Registry was discussed with John Coderre – Town Administrator. His discussion centered on the fact that the building is old and will need repairs. This may go against the National Register's requirements. John's main concern was repairs that might not conform to the National Register's restrictions. He also felt that it wasn't the usual type of building i.e., historically significant. John spoke with Chris Skelly of MHC who said the building might not be qualified. Further discussions led the Commission to suggest perhaps other key buildings, such as the Gale Library would be more significantly eligible.

National Register of Historic Places

Norm has set up a meeting on January 22, 2010 at the Historical Society in which a member of the MHC will speak about getting properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places and what it entails.

CPC Funding Topics

Based on the Preservation Plans for three (3) other towns Norm presented an outline for review by the Commission. The outline will be the basis for the application presented to the CPC for funds to hire a consultant to do a Preservation Plan for the Town of N'boro.

Other Business

Norm asked Russ to check e-mails on the NHC website every other week.
We discussed getting alternate members for the NHC to help out with non-voting tasks. Due to a conflict, Norm asked the next meeting to be rescheduled to the 19th of November. A motion was made to change the meeting date from November 18th to the 19th. Motion was accepted unanimously.
A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:30 PM. Motion was accepted unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie A. Wyman, Secretary



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