

Uxbridge Historical Commission
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Subject: Minutes of the Commission's meeting on 24 March 2022

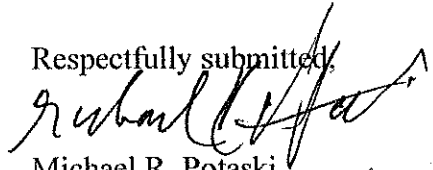
1. The meeting was called to order at 3:40PM in the lower town hall. Members present were Mary Beauchamp, Peter Emerick, Faye McCloskey, Roy Henry, Jeffrey Brochu, and Michael Potaski. James Beauchamp represented the Historical Society.
2. The minutes of the 17 February 2022 meeting were taken up. Roy Henry moved that they be accepted and Peter Emerick seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The Farnum House restoration project was taken up. Peter Emerick provided an updated timeline for the request for proposals:
 - a) the RFP was entered into the Central Register on 22 March;
 - b) a pre-proposal conference will be held on 12 April;
 - c) the last date for receipt of questions from interested parties will be 20 April;
 - d) the due date for proposals will be 3 May.

Mr. Philip Wheelock provided citizen's comments, from his perspective as a professional architect, on the degree of specificity in the request.

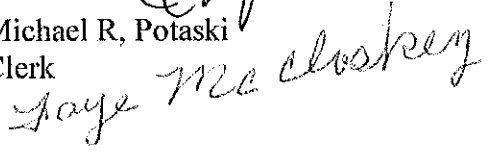
4. Mary Beauchamp moved that a subcommittee comprised of Peter Emerick, Mary Beauchamp, and Michael Potaski from the Commission, plus James Beauchamp from the Historical Society, and three members of the public to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, be established to serve as a Farnum House building/restoration subcommittee. Discussion ensued that the architect/estimators and owner's project manager/clerk-of-the-works be employed by the town and not the contractor. Michael Potaski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
5. Michael Potaski reported on a recent zoom meeting conducted by representatives of the Massachusetts Historic Commission, Preservation Massachusetts, and the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) on the need to review and update entries in the Massachusetts Cultural Resources Inventory System (MACRIS). The CMRPC has grant money available to match any town funds to hire a specialist to accomplish the task. Discussion ensued on the status of the historic Taft/Baezely house (currently registered in the MACRIS) and its location relative to the proposed Big Y development project.

6. There being no further business, Faye McCloskey moved that the meeting adjourn and Peter Emerick seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael R. Potaski
Clerk



Mary Beauchamp