

MEETING MINUTES
Historical Commission
Town of Scituate
Scituate Library – Large Conference Room
Wednesday, September 20, 2023
7:00 pm

Commission Members Present: Bob Brand, Doug Smith, Jack Whittaker, and Susannah Green, Jim Glinski, Stephen Litchfield.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Chairman Doug Smith called to order a regular meeting of the Scituate Historical Commission at 7:00 pm. Chairman Smith read a statement to diversity, equity and inclusion that will be read at all Commission meetings.

2. Approval of Minutes

Meeting minutes for the August 2023 meeting will be reviewed at the October 2023 meeting.

3. Form F presentation

The Commission reviewed a Form F presentation by Lyle Nyberg on 317 First Parish Road commonly known as the Town Pound. Mr. Nyberg reviewed the original location and new location of the pound. The Commission thanked Mr. Nyberg for completing the Form F to be added to the State's MACRIS database.

4. Lawson Park

Lawson Park – the Commission discussed the historical significance of Lawson Park based primarily on research done by the Scituate Historical Society. The Commission will be submitting correspondence to the Select Board regarding the historical significance. This is a follow up to the September 12, 2023, Select Board meeting.

5. Demolition Review

- The Commission reviewed a demolition application for 58 Tilden Road. A discussion of site visit on August 26, 2023, and opinions of the Commissioners were shared. The hearing was closed and a motion to delay was read. *Motion the property at 2 Rebecca Road be considered "Preferably Preserved" and subject to a twelve month demolition delay beginning on September 20, 2023.* The motion was seconded. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 2 for and 3 against. The Chair will notify the building inspector.

- The Commission discussed the property at 91 Ann Vinal Road and the application for demolition review. Chairman Smith updated the Commission on a decision by Robert Vogel Building Commissioner & Zoning Enforcement Officer.

6. Tercentenary Signs

Steve Litchfield will provided an update on the damaged sign at Old Oaken Bucket. Steve will reach out to the DPW to remove the other signs for transport to the South Shore Vo Tech for blasting and painting.

7. Mordecai Lincoln Homestead

The Select Board is in receipt of the letter sent by the Commission. The Mordecai Lincoln Homestead will be on the September 26 Select Board agenda.

8. RFP for Preservation Plan

The RFP for the historic preservation plan is out with a deadline for submission of October 10, 2023.

9. Upcoming Meeting Dates

The next regular meeting of the Commission will be held on September 20, 2023.

The meeting adjourned 8:30 pm

Documents reviewed during meeting.

Agenda

Meeting minutes August 2023.

Application for demolition, 91 Ann Vinal Road, 58 Tilden Road

Preservation Plan RFP

Form F Scituate Town Pound