

MEETING MINUTES
Historical Commission
Town of Scituate
Scituate Library – Large Conference Room
Thursday, December 21, 2023
7:00 pm

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

Others in attendance: Alan Tufankjian

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 November 2023 meeting were reviewed and amended. Minutes were approved, as amended, by vote of 4-0.

3. Demolition Review

- The Commission reviewed a demolition application for 11 Jericho Road. Alan Tufankjian attended the meeting. The Commission reviewed the site visit that occurred on December 2, 2023. *Motion that the property at 11 Jericho Road be considered “Preferably Preserved” and subject to a 12 month demolition delay beginning December 21, 2023.* The motion failed 4 against and 0 in favor. Building Inspector will be notified within seven days.
- The Commission discussed the property at 84 Lighthouse Road and the application will be continued until January 2024.

4. Preservation Plan – Heritage Strategies – Peter Benton & Elizabeth Watson

Heritage Strategies, LLC represented by Peter Benton and Elizabeth Watson presented over zoom for a project kick off call. A review of the timeline and project was discussed. Peter and Elizabeth will present at the next meeting in January.

5. Mordecai Lincoln Homestead

The Select Board is seeking applicants for the Mordecai Lincoln Committee. The Committee will be charged with determining a future use of the property and making recommendation back to the Select Board. One representative needs to be from the

Historical Commission. Chairman Smith will get an update from the Select Board on the committee selection.

6. Memorial Guidelines/Policy

Jim Glinski has drafted a memorial guidelines/policy document that the Commission will review and make follow up recommendations at our next meeting to share with the Select Board.

7. Upcoming Meeting Dates

The next regular meeting of the Commission will be held on January 25, 2024.

The meeting adjourned 8:30 pm

Documents reviewed during meeting.

Agenda

Meeting minutes November 2023

Preservation Plan RFP's from Heritage Strategies LLC

Draft of memorial guidelines

Demolition review applications for 11 Jericho Road and 84 Lighthouse Road