# TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS



# GREAT BARRINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION Regular Meeting Minutes from December 19th 2019 Town Hall 6:30 pm

#### Attendees-

Donald Howe, Chair Julie Fagan, Member Marilyn Bisiewicz, Alternate

Not Present-James Mercer, Vice-Chair Patricia Ryan, Secretary Abby Schroeder, Member

## **REGULAR MEETING**

# Meeting opened at 6:40 and called to order by Chair Howe.

Meeting Notes for the September 26<sup>th</sup> 2019 Special Meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Julie Fagan and seconded by Marilyn Bisiewicz. All present voted in favor with none opposed. Regular HDC Meetings were not held during both months of October and November 2019.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

<u>CPA/CPC-</u> The CPA/CPC did not recommend the Application for a "Memory" Garden at Town Hall to move to the second phase. The proposed study of the Housatonic Village Center utilizing Form A and Form B documenting historic resources was moved forward to the next step.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Sub-Committee for Downtown Housatonic Historic Resources-</u> The Formed sub-committee did a walking tour of the proposed study area.

<u>Veterans' Grant-</u> Chair brought forward an application for planning and implementation of grants available for towns and communities to focus on Veterans' historical items. The HDC will submit the first step application for the "Memory Garden" at Town Hall.

<u>MHC Grants-</u> Chair noted Planning Grants were available to match funding of the CPA/CPC grants for historic resources in process. Chair Howe will coordinate the applications with Paul Ivory, Chair of the Historical Commission.

<u>2021 HDC Budget-</u> The previous annual amount of the HDC Budget has been \$2,500 and was maintained last year at the same level. The HDC request for a budget increase was not funded.

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Chair Howe noted that the requested amount for this fiscal year reflects an increase to \$7,500 for anticipated extra services in dealing with the CPA/CPC grants.

<u>2020 Goals/Projects-</u> Chair Howe asked the members present if they have new goals or projects that should be undertaken by the HDC during this coming year. All present agreed to discuss these items next year when more members are in attendance.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

NONE

Next Meeting- Next HDC Meeting was scheduled for January 16<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn at 8:10 pm by Marilyn Bisiewicz with a second by Julie Fagan. All present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donald V. Howe, Chair February-20-2019