

## Historical Commission Meeting Minutes – Approved

DATE: July 12, 2021

TIME: 5:00 P.M.

PLACE: Zoom Virtual Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Leveille, Don Howe, David Rutstein, Paul Ivory, Marilyn Bisiewicz

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Bill Nappo, Malcolm Fick (not sworn in)

1. Chairman Fick announced that he had not been sworn in after his appointment. Ms. Bisiewicz moved that Mr. Howe be interim chairperson for the meeting. Mr. Leveille seconded. All voted to approve by roll call.
2. Mr. Howe called the meeting to order as a virtual meeting authorized by the Governor's March 15, 2020 and June 16, 2021 orders. A roll call was conducted to determine members present.
3. The election was held for FY 2022 officers. Mr. Ivory nominated Mr. Fick to be Chairperson. Ms. Bisiewicz seconded. All voted to approve by roll call.
4. Mr. Leveille moved to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2021 meeting. Mr. Ivory seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by roll-call vote.
5. Great Barrington Here and Gone
  - Mr. Fick reported that the proof had been received and reviewed by B. Drew.
  - Mr. Leveille and Mr. Ivory agreed to perform an expeditious final review of the proof document.
  - Mr. Leveille will explore the issues of Title Page, ISBN, pricing, and copyright which had not been included in the proof.
  - Members will send suggestions to Mr. Fick concerning distribution through bookstores, the Historical Society, Town Hall, the Library and other outlets.
  - The printed book will be delivered to Mr. Fick.
6. Historical Walking Tour Update
  - Mr. Fick reported that the new version had been released.
  - Mr. Leveille reported a problem whereby his copy reverted to the previous version. Mr. Fick agreed to explore the issue.
  - Mr. Howe reported that QR codes had been added to the Historic District Commission walking tour brochure that is distributed at Town Hall
7. CPA Update

- Mr. Howe reported that plans were in place to remove the shrubs encroaching on the Trolley Shelter.
8. Review of CPA Historical Site Application for 343 Main Street
    - Mr. Ivory moved that 343 Main Street is determined by the Historical Commission to be significant to Great Barrington history, culture and architecture and that developers of the property should be reminded that CPA-funded historical projects must comply with the US Secretary of Interior's standards for the treatment of historical properties. Mr. Leveille seconded the motion. Following discussion of members' knowledge of the property and the information that was contained in the application, all members present approved the motion by roll call vote.
  9. There were no comments from the public.
  10. The next meeting date was set for September 13, 2021 at 5:00pm. Members expressed a strong desire to resume in-person meetings.
  11. Having concluded its business, Mr. Ivory moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Leveille seconded and the meeting was adjourned without objection.

Respectfully submitted,  
Malcolm Fick  
Chairman