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GREAT BARRINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes from January 16th 2020
Town Hall 6:30 pm

Attendees-
Donald Howe, Chair
James Mercer, Vice-Chair
Julie Fagan, Member
Marilyn Bisiewicz, Alternate

Not Present-
Patricia Ryan, Secretary
Abby Schroeder, Member

REGULAR MEETING

Meeting opened at 6:36 and called to order by Chair Howe.
Meeting Notes for the December 19th 2019 Regular Meeting were not reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS

CPA/CPC- Joint application by the HDC and Historical Commission for historic resources in the Housatonic Village Center moved forward in the amount of $21,400.00 for Town Meeting Approval.

Historic Tour Brochures- James Mercer presented a mock-up of proposed updated holder. Abby Schroder expressed her preference to include Photo of Original Bandstand. James Mercer noted that Spring will be the time frame for updated holder.

HDC Budget- The HDC is proposed to increase to $5,000 for the next fiscal year.

NEW BUSINESS

Historic Commission Lost Properties Study- Chair Howe brought two copies of a comprehensive report that Bernie Drew is preparing for the Historical Commission on Lost Properties in Great Barrington. The narrative selects several historic periods and how the buildings and activities change.

MHIC Preservation Awards- Chair Howe recommended that the HDC and HC consider nominating Saint James Place and Barbara Syer for certain categories for the 2020 Preservation awards.
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Open Space Meeting- Chris Rembold is holding a public meeting on January 30th at Berkshire South on the goals of open space for the Zoning Master Plan.

Way Finding Signage- Chair Howe noted that “Way Finding Signage” is under consideration by the appropriate boards. The signage presently installed in Pittsfield with color-coding of various colors for activities is the impetus to the suggestion.

OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

Next Meeting- Next HDC Meeting was scheduled for February 20th 2020 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Julie Fagan with a second by Marilyn Bisiewicz. All present voted in favor.