Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Historic District Commission and the Historical Commission

Date: March 20, 2014

Commission Members Present: Nancy Allen, Lynn Shaw and Chris Mandel

Commission Members Absent: Bob Clark

Others present: None

Attachments: Agenda

The regular monthly meeting of the Historic District Commission was held in the Petersham Memorial Library and began at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of January 17 and February 6 were approved as written.

New Business:

The First Church Unitarian has submitted a grant to the Massachusetts Historical Commission for funds to repair some exterior features of the church, principally doors and windows. The church requested and received a letter of support for this project from the HDC. Commission members discussed the proper procedure for approving any such letters in the future and agreed that time must be allotted for a careful review of the project before approval and support are granted.

Ongoing Business:

The applications for the two one-room schoolhouses on East Street are underway. Once they are complete, Chris will meet with the owners of the buildings, i.e. the Selectboard and the Petersham Historical Society, to formally seek their approval and support. Chris has been in contact with the MHC and they agree that it makes good sense to submit the applications together.

New Members:

Chris urged the Commission to seek new members because it is her intention to step off the Commission at the end of her term (2015), if not sooner.

Correspondence: None

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Mandel, Clerk