

## **Provincetown Historical Commission**

Meeting of Wednesday, December 13, 2017; Provincetown Town Hall, Caucus Room

Attending: Susan Avellar, Stephen Borkowski, Polly Burnell, Anika Costa, Deborah Minsky, Julia Perry

Absent Excused: None

Called to Order at 5:30 P.M.

1. No Public Statements.
2. Election of Officers - Julia Perry as President/Secretary by a vote of 6-0-0; Stephen Borkowski as Vice President by a vote of 6-0-0.
3. Minutes of May 31, 2017 accepted by a vote of 6-0-0.
4. Stephen Borkowski presented the East Harbor Dike Plan Map as restored by David Colombo. Balance of \$300 to be paid today.
5. Stephen Borkowski discussed the Barnstable /Walling Map being restored by David Colombo. David Colombo has agreed to perform additional work beyond the original estimate but at no additional expense.
6. There are a limited number of copies of Building Provincetown left - 10 at the Library, 101 at Town Hall with 13 going to PAAM for 98 left. Recent income is \$37,717.
7. It is proposed that the Commission meet the second Wednesday of the month, every other month.
8. It is proposed that the CPC be a standard Agenda item.
9. The State Historical Commission meeting is in April in Harwich.
10. Payment for restoration of the Restroom signs may come from the gift fund.
11. Payments for invoices must be: 1) approved by the Commission, 2) reflected in the Minutes, 3) put on the Board of Selectmen Consent Agenda.
12. There was a motion to approve payment in an amount not to exceed \$500 to Geoffrey Semonian to recreate 4 Restroom signs based on Sample B as approved by David Gardner with the correction of Mens' to Men's. Proposed by Susan Avellar, seconded by Deborah Minsky. Approved 6-0-0.

13. There was a discussion of the Auditorium Chairs - need to request an update from the Town Manager.
14. There was a discussion of the need to repair "plaster" in the balcony area on the West Side. Aaron Hobart, Licensing, did a review of the condition of the balcony. Anne Howard will do an inspection of Town Hall. Authority was given to the Chair to discuss with the Town Manager.
15. The Commission discussed the need for a policy regarding use of the Rose Dorothea as a platform or staging space. The Commission approved by 3-0-0 a policy of allowing no one on the Rose Dorothea except for maintenance. All exceptions must be approved by the Commission based on a justification presented to the Commission in writing which describes how the exception is consistent with the historic nature of the ship model and the need to preserve it in its current condition.
16. The Commission addressed the proposed Pilgrim Monument/Provincetown Museum Funicular Project and determined by a vote of 3-0-0 that it presents an inappropriate incursion on the historic townscape of the Bas Relief Project. The Chair will prepare a letter to the proposers so stating.
17. Documents belonging to Dale Fanning as Chair of the Heritage Museum were presented by his widow to the Chair of the Provincetown Historical Commission. The materials will be assessed and incorporated into the archives of the History Project.
18. An election of Officers took place. Julia L. Perry was voted Chair by a vote of 3-0-0 and Stephen Borkowski was voted Vice Chair by a vote of 3-0-0.
19. Under new business, Stephen Borkowski advised the Commission that the Library has a volunteer working on a Walking Tour of the Rose Dorothea.

Next Meeting: April 18, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. in the Bow Sprit Room of the Provincetown Public Library.

Adjourned at 6:32 P.M.