

Historical Commission for the Town of Provincetown

Minutes of the Meeting of Monday, March 9, 2021, 4 pm
Meeting via call-in

Attending: Julia Perry, Chair; Stephen Borkowski, Polly Burnell, Susan Avellar, Deborah Minsky, Hersh Schwartz, Members

Called to Order at 4:03 P.M.

1. Public Statements - None
2. Discussion of available funds and acknowledgement of the financial gift of Candace King Weir and Kathryn B. Weir. The Chair was authorized to send a thank you letter.
3. Discussion of a request from Amy Raff, Library Director, for funds to restore a marriage certificate of a marriage which occurred in the building in 1891 when it was a church. David Colombo estimates the conservation would be \$150-\$200. Voted to approve use of money from the Historical Commission budget, 5-0-0.
4. Discussion of the bequest of postcards from the Estate of Lawrence Donald Riley. Stephen has confirmed their historical value. Voted to accept 5-0-0.
5. Discussion of Urban Design Guidelines - Provincetown Public Landscape Committee draft "manual" of ideas for how the streetscapes and public areas should look in Provincetown. Polly says some items are already covered by the Historic District Commission responsibilities. It was agreed that Julia as Chair will be the representative of the Historical Commission to the Public Landscape Committee.
6. Discussion by the Chair of the legal basis for requests for historic status (e.g., the Hindu). Must include some value received - may be preservation established by law.
7. Continued discussion regarding storage, preservation, and access to historic artifacts.
8. There is a need to clean the Rose Dorothea. Julia will confirm access with Amy Raff, Library Director.
9. Stephen raised the need to check with Michelle Jarusawicz about the status of CPA funds for previously approved grants. (Later confirmed to be available.)

Adjourned at 4:47