

Regular Meeting

Historic Review Committee

Thursday, Aug.2, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Town Hall

Attending: Elizabeth Disbrow, Lucinda Hogarty, Bruce Dodson, Joseph Hutchins

Absent: Meixell, Rich, Lefko Guests: Tom Lentz, Laurel Poletti

1. Call to Order at 11:01
2. **Disbrow moved to add an item on tax abatement ordinance to the agenda. Dodson seconded. Passed.**
3. Minutes of July 5 meeting. **Disbrow moved to accept, seconded by Hutchins. Passed.**
4. There are no pending or upcoming applications. Disbrow provided procedural info to the representative for owner of 44 Park Hill Rd. Ext. following his request.
5. Tax abatement discussion. Laurel Poletti provided background and historical info about the Country Squire. The committee reviewed the application for the abatement process: Next step: homeowner to approach BOS, upon recommendation of this committee. There was consensus that the Country Squire is an important historical structure. [Note: It was suggested that the Country Squire be the subject of an upcoming library display.]

Hutchins moved to classify the structure as having historical and architectural merit, historical value to the community. Dodson seconded. Passed unanimously.

Disbrow will notify the BOS of this designation, and will alert them to an upcoming application from Ms. Poletti.

6. Stone wall ordinance revision
The Committee reviewed Lentz/ 7/29 draft of a proposed ordinance for the Protection and Preservation of Historic Stone Walls. There was extensive discussion and general support for the ordinance. The committee will solicit input from P & Z and the Historical Society and revisitn when the full committee is in attendance
7. Adjourned at 11:50.

Submitted by Lucinda Hogarty/Elizabeth Disbrow on 8/5/2024