

Peterborough Heritage Commission
Sunday, October 13, 2019
MINUTES

Present: Jason Pellettieri, Peggy Shaughnessy, Doug Ward, Peggy Van Valkenburgh, Tina Rapp, Karen Kambol

Absent: Deborah Kaiser, Tyler Ward, *Select Board liaison*

Peggy Shaughnessy opened the meeting at 4:07 p.m.

Minutes

Approved the minutes from the October 12, 2019 Demolition Review Committee.

Letter from Heritage Commission to Planning Board –Woodman’s Place

Discussion:

- Heritage Commission subcommittee had drafted a letter that was presented to the HC for review. The draft letter, from the Heritage Commission to the Planning Board, raises concerns about the proposed development of the former Woodman’s Florist property, proposed name to be Woodman’s Place.
- Formal application for development of Woodman’s Place property was submitted following last week’s Planning Board meeting that was held on 10/7/19.
- Jason reviewed the TNOZ I ordinance and New Hampshire statutes and explained that the Planning Board’s obligation is to abide by the ordinances. The letter from the Heritage Commission to the Planning Board will speak specifically to ordinances.
- Jason read the draft letter aloud. The letter expresses concern about plans to demolish the house at 75 Concord Street as well as concerns about proposed changes to the historic landscape of the area. The house was built in 1900 and currently has two rental tenants.
- TNOZ I discourages demolition of properties for the purpose of building new units.
- Master Plan states the importance of preserving the historic look and feel of the town. HC is concerned the proposed steep vertical escalation for six of the units will adversely affect the historic landscape in the area.
- The group made edits to the draft letter.
- Decision was made to sign the letter from the Heritage Commission.
- Decision was made that Jason will read the HC letter at the 10/14/19 Planning Board public hearing for the Woodman’s property. Jason will present a copy of the letter to the Planning Board members to be made part of the public record.
- For future developments in town the Heritage Commission hopes to be involved during the early planning and feedback process.

Actions:

- A motion was made by Tina Rapp to approve the letter drafted by the subcommittee

consisting of Jason, Peggy S and Doug and revised by HC members that will be presented at the 10//18/19 Planning Board meeting as part of the public hearing. A copy of the letter will be presented to the Planning Board to be made part of the public record. Peggy Van Valkenburgh seconded the motion.

Move to adjourn at 5:09pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Karen M. Kambol