



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
PEMBROKE HISTORICAL COMMISSION/HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

7/21/2016

7:30 PM

BETHEL CHAPEL

155 WASHINGTON STREET

PEMBROKE, MA 02359

In Attendance: **Elizabeth Bates (EB); Chair, Kyle Harney (KH), Steve Herrmann (SH),
Linda Osborne (LO), Miles Prescott (MP)**

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM. Motion by Kyle Harney (KH) to open the meeting was made and seconded Linda Osborne (LO). Vote unanimous.

The Board opened the meeting and took up the first order of business: a discussion of the proposed water wheel at the Herring Run. Libby (EB) reminded the committee that there was scheduled to be a site inspection by Mass DEP on Wednesday, July 27, 2016 @ 3:00PM. Anyone interested may attend. Libby read into the record, a letter send to the Pembroke Conservation Commission and copied to the Board of Selectmen and the Mass DEP regarding the Commission opposition to the proposed water wheel. There was a discussion in which Steve Herrmann proposed another letter to reinforce the Commission's opposition. The commission supported the idea and authorized Steve to write a letter. A motion by Kyle (KH) and seconded by Linda (LO) to approve Steve proposal. Vote unanimous.

At 7:45PM the Commission opened a public hearing on the application of Catani Realty Trust to demolish a 1725 Cape house located at 41 Cross St. The Commission met with Carl Catani and Doug Arsham who represented the developer. After some discussion and a site visit by several members of the commission, the commission voted to allow the demolition to proceed. The developer will work with the Commission to salvage some artifacts from the house. The public hearing was closed at 8:35 PM.

In other business, the commission took up a discussion regarding the John Turner House located on a parcel of land located at the corner of Washington and Barker Streets. Steve (SH) reported that there is a site plan already prepared for the location of a proposed new fire station. Libby (EB) reported that she had reached out via e-mail to the fire chief regarding the plans and in an effort to make this a collaborative effort. As the site is within the North Pembroke Historic District, all site arrangement and architectural design comes under the review of the Historical Commission.

Kyle (KH) made a brief presentation regarding the efforts to salvage some of the architectural features of 75 Barker Street, another 18th century structure scheduled for demolition. ☹

Having no other business, at 9:30 PM on a motion by Kyle Harney and seconded by Steve Herrmann, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2016.

Respectfully submitted:

Elizabeth A. Bates

Elizabeth A. Bates - Chairman