

MINUTES

Demolition Review Committee
Meeting 12/11/20
Rye Town Hall

D. Choate called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Present were: David Choate, Alex Herlihy (Via phone), Elizabeth Sanborn, Jay Longtin (Alternate Seated), Jenn Madden (Alternate)

Minutes review from 11/23/2020 meeting. J. Longtin moved to accept and J. Madden seconded.

Unanimous vote: J. Longtin - Aye, David Choate - Aye, Alex Herlihy – Aye, J. Madden - Aye

Purpose: Partial Demolition of 17 Central Road:

Proposed Plan: Shed Dormer on Trolley Barn Side, 2 Gable/Dog house dormers on One Central Road Side. Plans presented by Shannon Murphy, owner. He presented plans for the changes as well as other interior touches.

E Sanborn made a motion that the house is of Architectural and Historical significance but that no public hearing is necessary since the owners are keen to the historical value of the building and their plans are historically sensitive.

J. Longtin 2nd. Unanimous vote on the motion: E. Sanborn - Aye, A. Herlihy - Aye, D. Choate – Aye., J. Longtin - Aye,

D. Choate will notify the Building Inspector of the Committee's decision regarding the "demo" permit.

Other Business:

Demolition of 7 East Atlantic Avenue. No plans submitted.

E. Sanborn moved that the current bldg. was not historically nor architecturally significant. J. Longtin 2nd. Unanimous Vote: J. Longtin - Aye, D. Choate - Aye, A. Herlihy - Aye, E. Sanborn - Aye,

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Old Business: J. Madden - 60 Causeway...Owners seem open to review with contractor. Concerns exist about extensive termite issue. At least there is a discussion. This property is out of our purview.

New Business: J. Longtin made a suggestion for future discussion with the town to offer a form of Historical Exemption perhaps in the reduction in property taxes to provide some incentive to save historical properties. This is a good topic for the newly formed "Historical Structures Task Force" to discuss.

A Herlihy to send D. Choate email addresses he needs to convene this new task force.

General Discussion on the Parsonage being torn down and the rushed decision by the Select Board.

J. Longtin moved to adjourn. E. Sanborn 2nd. Unanimous Vote. Meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Sanborn