

Northbridge Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes 6/29/17

In Attendance: Ken Warchol, Dan O'Neill, Lenny Smith, Mary Barlow, Wendy Timmons, Paula McCowan

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The meeting was called to order at 7PM this day.

The first order of business was the announcement that Paula M is leaving the commission due to ill health after 40yrs of service. Congratulations and good wishes exchanged.

Next was business involving the apt building at 678 Linwood Ave. The commission has been asked to recommend what would be historically accurate as a result of the renovations going on there presently. A motion was made and seconded that the owner be informed that we would like the original 6over6 window style be retained as well as the historically accurate siding be installed. The motion passed unanimously.

Next was a vote as to whether the Commission would support the current make-up and goals of the Local Historic District. Ken and Dan are members of the committee that oversees that project as well. The motion was passed unanimously.

Next was discussion of the progress re: the town ownership of the Pine Grove Cemetery. Currently, the Friends of the Cemetery group headed by Shelly Buma wants to install period-font signs for internal roadways at the cemetery. That would mean Calligraphy script that the Historical Commission thinks is unreadable at that size and distance from the roadways. We would like more modern plain font signs. This is to make them more readable. A motion was made and seconded that we recommend the modern font. The motion passed unanimously.

Next on the agenda was Trolley Tours discussion. The Tours are tentatively scheduled for Sept 23rd 2017. There will be 3 tour groups as opposed to last year's 4. Commission members were asked to petition local businesses for funding. The tickets will be held and sold by the Public Library. There will be advertisements in the BV Tribune by early Sept.

The commission will meet again in late August for final tour planning.

As there was no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8PM.