

## NORTHBOROUGH HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

### Meeting Minutes for February 21, 2018

**Present:** Bruce Chute, Norm Corbin, Amy White, Stephanie Stockman, Alexandra Molnar, Zenya Molnar, Leslie Harrison, Brian Smith (Alternate)

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

- **Previous Meeting Minutes** - A motion was made by Amy and seconded by Norm to accept the meeting minutes of 1/18/18, it passed unanimously.
- **Colonial Gravestone Preservation Project** - No Update
- **Unitarian Church Historical Marker** – Because the sign was sent with the wrong post, it was returned to the manufacturer so the attachment could be corrected. A spring installation is still expected.
- **Cemetery Signs** – Working with the vendor to change the date on the Hudson Burial Ground Sign.
- **White Cliffs Update** – The Request for Proposal (RFP) is being prepared by the Town Planner (Kathy Joubert). The RFP is to have a contractor coordinate and subcontract all the requirements needed to evaluate and secure the building along with organizing a “Best Use” evaluation.
- **Future CPA Funded Projects** – A list of potential future CPA projects (attached) was reviewed. The goal is to determine priorities and scheduling for future requests. Continuing to improve the Brigham Street Burial Ground is a priority. Additional discussions will continue at the next meeting.
- **Demolition Delay Updates** - The demolition delays for the houses at 181 East Main Street and 222 West Main Street have expired. The developer at 222 West Main has mentioned the house will come down as it does not fit in with the plans for additional housing. As the current house and barn are red, he is considering how to incorporate that color into new construction. The 181 East Main home is still for sale but because of the poor condition, there have been no offers.
- **Next Meeting:** March 21, 2018
- **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn at 7:45

Respectfully Submitted,  
Normand Corbin, Secretary

# COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND

## REQUEST PLANNING 2018

Project	Priority	Estimated Total Cost	Time Frame
<b>White Cliffs Bond Payment</b>	1	\$255k	8 years?
<b>Howard Street Cemetery</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inventory for years 1800-1900 headstones</li> </ul>		10k?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• replacing the wooden colonial grave location map with a more durable structure</li> </ul>		\$5k?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preservation &amp; Repair of 1800-1900 Headstones</li> </ul>		>\$100k ?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Historic Markers for First 3 Town Ministers</li> </ul>		\$6k ?	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expand Historic District to include all of Cemetery (This will open the door for Mass. Hist. Comm. Funding)</li> </ul>		Needs Town Meeting Vote	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nomination of the Cemetery for the National Register (This will open the door for Mass. Hist. Comm. Funding)</li> </ul>			
<b>Brigham Street Cemetery</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sign with known burials listed</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• nominating it for the National Historic Register (This will open the door for Mass. Hist. Comm. Funding)</li> </ul>		\$5k	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• fencing/stonewall along Brigham Street</li> </ul>		??	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removing of the trees to bring it back to its original design.</li> </ul>		??	
<b>Historical Signs</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cold Harbor Bridge Sign</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gale General Store</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rock Hill Native American Path</li> </ul>		~ \$3k	
<b>Revolutionary War Memorial</b>			
<b>Historical Preservation Plan</b>		> \$30k	
<b>Aqueduct over Assabet River</b>		> \$100k	
<b>Mary Goodnow Site in National Register</b>		\$5k?	