

Newburyport Historical Commission
City Council Chambers
January 24, 2018
Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chair Sarah White called a regular meeting of the Newburyport Historical Commission to order at 7:31 p.m.

2. Roll Call

In attendance were members Sarah White, Malcolm Carnwath, Stephen Dodge and Mark Bilodeau. Ned McGrath was attended by telephone.

3. General Business

FRCA of Newburyport

260 Merrimac Street

Preservation Restriction

Sarah Bellino represented the applicant. The Commission members had no comments on the draft preservation restriction that is to be placed on the 1866, 1870 and 1940 facades and exterior features of the Towle building. Sarah White to approve the preservation restriction for 260 Merrimac Street on a preliminary basis with the final approval to be voted upon after the receipt of comments from the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Mark Bilodeau seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Eric Ekman provided an update on the restoration of the 1690 House. The construction documents have been submitted and a building permit has been pulled. A custom woodworking company will be constructing the windows. After the shop drawings have been created, the process will take ten weeks. It is expected the windows will be received in the middle of April and installed by the end of that month. The draft interpretive signage panels for the 1690 House and Towle building will be submitted for review at a NHC February meeting.

4. Minutes

Malcolm Carnwath moved to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2018, meeting as submitted. Stephen Dodge seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Ned McGrath abstaining.

5. Adjournment

Malcolm Carnwath moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Stephen Dodge seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.