STOW HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes of Special Meeting on Jan. 31, 2019

Members present: Dot Spaulding-DS, Rosemary Bawn-RB, Andy Crosby-AC,

Patrick Hopkins (absent), quorum present

Associate members present: Barbara Clancy-BC, Lew Halprin (absent)

Others present: Tom Ryan, Jim Salvie, Doug Hyde, Marilyn Zavorski, Liz Moseley,

Dorothy Sonnichsen, Linda Stokes, Ed Deluca, Bill Byron

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm with a quorum present.

Town Hall Restoration Committee (THRC): Members of the Stow Town Hall Restoration Committee and members of the Stow Historical Society met with the Commission to try to reach agreement on future uses of the Town Hall spaces. An updated, very detailed, conception idea for a museum, which had been previously circulated by Lew Halprin, was put on the table. The SHS president spoke about SHS's history, assets and space needs in depth. Jim Salvie brought up the library's Whitney Historical Room. He mentioned that the Library Trustees might still like to remove the historic items and cases from that historic room. He asked the Commission members about their thoughts and all members replied that they believed that discussions were completed on that subject.

The THRC chair asked for a more general worded list of space usage. AC offered to put together a common idea for space usage that could then be revised by the SHS and reviewed at the next SHC meeting.

Old and new business: The Commission Chair handed members copies of a resignation letter that had been received from longtime associate member, Lew Helprin, and a resignation letter the Chair had also received from SHC member, Marilyn Zavorski. The SHC secretary took a moment to publicly thank them both for their dedicated service and valuable volunteering with the Commission.

The next regular meeting is February 7, 2019 at 7:30pm.

Motion to adjourn at 9:45 was made by RB and seconded by AC; unanimous.

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