



NANTUCKET TOWN ASSOCIATION MEETING

September 22, 2020, at 4:00 pm
Meeting held by Zoom conferencing

DRAFT MINUTES FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Attendance: Trish Bridier, Mary Anne Easley, Marsha Fader, Hillary Rayport. Lee Saperstein, Janet Schulte, Bill Seay, Anne Terry, Henry Terry, and Paula Williams.

Call to Order.

President Henry Terry called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

II. Approval of minutes of the Meeting of August 25 2020.

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, August 25th, was moved by Anne Terry, seconded by Trish Bridier, and approved unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report.

Anne Terry gave the report, attached, which had a beginning balance of \$4491.70, to which dues of \$20.00 were added and charitable deductions of \$1000 were deducted, creating an end balance of \$3511.70. A motion to approve was made by Trish Bridier, seconded by Mary Anne Easley, and approved unanimously.

IV. Nomination of Officers and Directors

Henry Terry said that, this being the annual meeting of the Association, it was time to nominate and elect officers and directors. The directors present agreed. He then read out the list of proposed officers, directors, and advisors, which is attached to these minutes, and asked if there were any additional nominations. Hearing none, he then asked for a motion to elect the nominees: Anne Terry so moved, Trish Bridier seconded, and the motion carried unanimously

V. New Business

Reflecting on the donations made at the previous meeting, Henry Terry observed that the Rotary Club is matching all donations to the Interfaith Council for the purpose of the Nantucket Food Fuel Rental Assistance program. After a short discussion, Mary Anne Easley moved that the Association donate \$300.00 such that it becomes a \$600.00 gift. Paula Williams seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

In other new business, Henry Terry spoke about efforts to attract new members and dues from old members. He said that Mary Anne Easley had drafted a nice letter to the editor of the Inquirer and Mirror, which he intended to send soon. He asked about a supply of postcards that could also be sent out to the entire membership list. Mary Anne Easley said that she had a supply of the cards.

Henry Terry reported that Lee Saperstein and he had attended the August meeting of the Nantucket Planning and Economic Development Commission, NPEDC to observe their discussion of Local Area Plans. It was clear that they would choose the working party for the Town Area Plan and would include members of the NPEDC who had special knowledge of the downtown portion of the area. They would also refer our proposed map to the GIS coordinator to include in an Island-wide plan of areas.

VI. Speaker, Hillary Hedges Rayport, Chair, Nantucket Historical Commission

Henry Terry introduced Hillary Hedges Rayport, to give a report on the activities of the Nantucket Historical Commission and its interest in preserving the history of Nantucket's built environment. She said that she would use share screen to present power point slides of her presentation. The slides have been given to the corresponding secretary to post on the Association's web site. The slide titles are presented here.

- Priorities and Goals
- Origin
- Members (of the Commission)
- Resource Advisors
- Historical Commission versus the Historic District Commission
- Typical Functions
- Activities to Date
- Historic Pavements: Cobblestone Standards for Treatment
- Maintenance and Improvement of Historic Pavements on Nantucket
- Core Principles
- Developing Specifications
- Downtown Sidewalk Plans
- Other Priorities for FY 2021

As the committee members prepared to ask question, Lee Saperstein asked if the speaker would share the entire set of power point slides and she agreed. A PDF version of the slides will go up on the site with these minutes.

Mary Anne Easley asked if the Historical Commission had a way of knowing if the HDC was dealing with an application for a structure that had contentious issues. Hillary Hedges Rayport's answer was that their staff liaison, Holly Backus, Town Preservation Planner, is a link to the HDC and could alert them to such an application. She also said that the best way to protect historic structures from demolition or inappropriate change is to have accurate surveys. The challenge with the HDC is the volume of applications with which they have to deal.

Marsha Fader noted that the HDC once had a staff with architectural and historical expertise, and said that they need more staff. Adding to the observation that the ConComm had regular observers, she noted that a member of the Nantucket Land Council was always in attendance at their meetings. She also felt that one or more of the preservation groups could attend the HDC meetings on a regular basis. Marcia Fader invited Hillary to serve on the Town's working group for local area plans. Hillary replied that she would be pleased to serve. She noted that preservation planning could often become political and the best way to protect what you love about Nantucket is to stay engaged and speak up.

Lee Saperstein asked if there were any Nantucket streets with cobblestones that had been covered with asphalt. Yes, many, replied Hillary Hedges Rayport and explained that beginning in 1910 many streets had been covered over, and when India Street and portions of other streets off Main Street were returned to cobbles in the late 1980s, the cobbles were sourced from under the asphalt.

At this point, as the time for meeting close came, Henry Terry thanked Hillary Hedges Rayport for her presentation and called for adjournment, which came unanimously.

VI. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 pm.

***Next meeting is October 27th and will be via Zoom (save the link; it will be the same.)**

*Please remember that we need to end the meeting by 5:00 pm so that the library staff may leave the building.

Lee W. Saperstein, Secretary,

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Treasurer's Report

Sept 22,2020

Beginning Balance		\$4,491.70
Deposits/dues		\$20.00
Expenditures		\$1,000.00
-charitable donations		
Nantucket Atheneum	\$500	
Nantucket Cottage Hospital	\$500	
End Balance		\$3,511.70

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Officers

Henry Terry	President
Peter Louderback	1 st Vice President
Barbara G. Cohen	2 nd Vice President
Lee Saperstein	Recording Secretary
Mary Anne Easley	Corresponding Secretary
Anne Terry	Treasurer
C. Richard Loftin	Clerk

Directors

Jane Miller
Carol Cross
Trish Bridier
Colleen McLaughlin
Paula Williams
Craig Muhlhauser
Peggy Altreuter

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Alexandra La Paglia
William Sherman
Mark Voigt