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Acton Historical Commission
Meeting Minutes – September 11, 2013
8:00 p.m., Acton Town Hall, Rm. 126

AHC Members Present: Bill Klauer (BK), Bill Dickinson (BD), Victoria Beyer (VB) and Brad Maxwell (BM)

1. BK called the meeting to order and invited members of the public in attendance to discuss any concerns. Kate Napoli and Mark Stevens expressed their concern regarding the potential developments at 56 and 62 Windsor Avenue. BK related that, although we believe the Historic District Commission may have jurisdiction over these properties, the Commission submitted comments on the proposed development plan and we understand the plan may have been withdrawn.
2. Next, the Commission reviewed and unanimously approved minutes for its August 2013 meeting.
3. The Commission discussed the status of the postcards to publicize the historical plaque program. The Commission members split up the Cultural Resource List (CRL) and will hand-write the addresses on the postcards.
4. Discussion then turned to the recent consideration of the Asa Parlin House by the Board of Selectmen (BOS). BK related that the BOS will take up the subject of demolition of the Asa Parlin House at an upcoming meeting. BD noted that the recent attempts at preservation with CPA funds showed there was not sufficient support to fund the renovation and reuse of the building. The House is within the Acton Center Historic District, and therefore BK will email the HDC to make sure they are aware of the upcoming vote so that the HDC has an opportunity to comment if desired.
5. BK next reminded the Commission that the Town is hosting trainings on Open Meeting Law in the coming weeks.
6. The Commission noted that it would be moving its October and November meetings to 8:00 p.m.
7. Finally, the Commission unanimously approved officers for 2013-2014 as follows: BK – Chair; BD – Vice Chair; BM – Clerk.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brad Maxwell, clerk

cc: Town Clerk
Town Manager
Town Library
Historic District Commission