

SWAMPSCOTT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING LOCATION: Virtual Meeting

Thursday, September 23, 2021

6: 30 pm

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT:</u>	Dana Anderson, Kim Barry, Brad Graham, Ryan Judkins, Jonathan Leamon, Justina Oliver, Nancy Schultz, Richard Smith
<u>MEMBERS ABSENT:</u>	
<u>OTHERS PRESENT:</u>	Deb Newman, Marzie Galazka
<u>1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:</u>	6:36 PM J. Oliver called the meeting to order
<u>4.PRESERVATION BYLAW</u> <u>DISCUSSION FOLLOWING SITE VISIT</u> <u>a. 129 Essex Street</u> <u>b. 35 Pitman Road</u>	J. Oliver put up R. Smith's slideshow. Discussion of the photos. The framing in the old part of the building is likely 1780-1800s. R. Judkins and J. Oliver did some deed research. Clear deed of sale to Pitman. Difficult to get an exact date. Only 20 properties in the town are on record that are from this period (before 1800). K. Barry asked about plaques to acknowledge period houses; traditionally, we have acknowledged preservation efforts. Could the house be moved and restored? If we go to public hearing, we need to have a plan. Leaving it where it is, or moved to a new foundation are ideas that were floated. B. Graham says we have no authority to move it. Is there true value in the property? At the very least, it should be documented. Plaques could be an agenda item for the next regular meeting. Can we save the entrance features? Can the granite blocks be reused? B. Graham proposed salvaging some of the unique features for reuse in the new Essex Street development (doors, granite blocks, beams). Timeline: developer will return to ZBA on November 30. Construction is scheduled to begin in Spring 2022. We can try to add an historical theme to the development. R. Judkins thinks we should let the process play out and go to the public meeting. If we have strong public

	support for the ideas, it makes the case stronger. J. Leamon suggested it would be ideal if the salvage could stay in Swampscott. Public meeting can take place on our already scheduled meeting on October 7—a hybrid or zoom.
<u>Closing:</u>	D. Anderson moved to adjourn, K. Barry seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.
<u>Next Public meeting: Thursday, October 7, 2021 6:30 p.m.</u>	Jon Leamon will take notes.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Schultz