



Plympton Historical  
Commission

# Meeting Summary - 06/15/15

- Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm. Members present Jane Schulze, Jill Palenstijn and Jon Wilhelmsen.
- Discussion ensued about the numbers of members on the Commission. There are 2 open seats on the Commission which need to be filled. JS offered some names of residents who might be interested in serving.
- Discussion continued regarding the application for the demolition of the property at 3 Forest Street. The Plympton Municipal Bylaws, Article XX require that the Commission review any demolition permits for properties that 75 years old or greater to determine if they are architecturally or historically significant. Once this determination has been made in the affirmative, the Commission is required to hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 3.5 to determine if it is preferably preserved. The by-laws state that the Historical Commission is granted the authority to enact an 18 month delay of the demolition of any property which is deemed preferably preserved.
- JW noted that this property is on the Cultural Resources Inventory and pursuant to Plympton Municipal Bylaws, Article XX, Section 2.6(b) is Architecturally significant. The PHC will, on the motion of JS and second by JP, advise the Building Department that no Demolition permits may be issued without the express consent of the PHC. Vote: 3-0-0. JW will draft the letter and provide to the Building Department.
- Further arrangements were made as to the timeframe for notifying the contractor and owner, and posting the hearing date in the paper. JS will reach out to the contractor and notify the Building Department. JW will provide a draft hearing notice to JS and JP.
- The next matter of business on the agenda was the status of the Parsonage Road Property.
- JW conveyed the latest information which included the fact that the Historical Commission may be involved with the normal course of action according to the demolition delay by-law pertaining to a architecturally or historically significant structure.
- The meeting adjourned at 7:42 on the motion of JS, second JP, 3-0-0.