

Meeting Summary - 05/17/16 DRAFT

- The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. Commission members in attendance were Jon Wilhelmsen, Jane Schulze, and Jill Palenstijn.
- Outstanding minutes from previous meetings will be held until the next scheduled meeting.
- Discussion centered on upcoming Town Meeting (5/18/16) and the warrant articles that were relevant to the Commission. These included Articles 24 & 25 which, if passed, would reduce the demolition delay period from a maximum of 18 months to a maximum of 6 months and Article 23 which, if passed, would be the first step to repealing the Community Preservation Act (CPA).
- The Commission discussed the inaccurate claims being stated regarding Article 24 & 25 in a recent letter sent by an unnamed resident (recently revealed) and what had been posted on social media. JW also noted that the numbers being quoted regarding demolition delay periods and numbers of towns having a delay has not been represented accurately. JW has prepared a handout to be distributed at Town Meeting to correct the inaccuracies. JS made a motion to approve the Historical Commission flyer to be available for Town Meeting. JP seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. The motion carried. JP made a motion that the Historical Commission would not recommend Articles 24 and 25 at Town Meeting. JS seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0. The motion carried.
- The Commission discussed Article 23 and the desire of the article to begin the process to eliminate the CPA. This
 would not be in the best interests of the town from the perspective of the Commission. JW made a motion that the
 Historical Commission would not recommend Article 23 at Town Meeting. JS seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0, The
 motion carried.
- JP made a motion to adjourn the meeting. JW seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29.