

Shrewsbury Historic District Commission

February 16, 2023 7:00 PM Shrewsbury Town Hall

Attendees: Whitney Andrews, Kelly Barner, Keith Baldinger, Kris Gustafson, Shannon Nolley, Melanie Petrucci, Allyn Taylor

Absent:

1. Call to Order at 7:00 pm.
2. Minutes from the December 15, 2022 meeting were approved with a unanimous vote.
3. CPA Application Discussion for the Historic Gravestones Update – Kris Gustafson

The proposal has passed the next milestone with the CPC and will be included on the town meeting agenda in May. Although no presentation is required by the HDC on that day, Melanie Petrucci and Keith Baldinger will both be present at the meeting. Per the letter written on February 6, 2023, Town Meeting can approve, reduce funding or deny the CPC's recommendation to fund the HDC project.

Other historically relevant proposals include Shrewsbury Historical Society's District No. 5 historical schoolhouse accessibility plan as well as the 1830 schoolhouse HVAC system project submitted in conjunction with SELCO.

4. Old Business

- Update on Historic District Commission (HDC) Town Center Walking Tour. The Planning department will be responsible for the PocketSights account. Draft copy is in the hands of the HDC members for review and addition. A subcommittee was formed to continue working on all of the content that will be included in the app. The members of that subcommittee are Whitney Andrews, Kelly Barner, Shannon Nolley, and Melanie Petrucci. Melanie will send out an email to get the process started.

5. Correspondence

- Acknowledging the email about Conflict-of-Interest training from Sharyn Thomas. All committee members are required to complete both courses.

6. Other Business

- The 2022 Annual Department Report has been submitted to the town.
- Kris Gustafson shared as a point of information an update about the Job Cushing headstone and footstone, both of which will be on display at the Shrewsbury Historical Society. The Shrewsbury Historical Society reached out to the Cemetery and Parks Department based on Martha Thomas' 1990s gravestone restoration effort. The

Cemetery and Parks Department voted to approve a 3-year loan of the footstone to the Shrewsbury Historical Society and it will be on display by the presentation in April.

7. Next meeting date: Thursday, March 16, 2023

8. Adjourn at 7:36pm.

Respectfully submitted
Kelly Barner, Secretary