

Hadley Historical Commission Minutes for October 27, 2015 Compiled by Jeffrey Mish

Members Present: Jeffrey Mish, Ginger Goldsbury, Linda Ziegenbein, Margaret Freeman, Marjorie Pratt Townsend, Tom McGee, Kate Kentfield

Guests: Jeff Squire

Meeting came to order at 7:00 with Freeman approving the September Minutes, Kentfield seconded.

Valley Bike & Ski Werks

Jeff Squire, of Berkshire Design Group, presented a site plan, which would create an addition to Valley Bike & Ski Werks, located at 173 Russell Street. The 2,500 square foot addition would be in the back of the building, consisting of the same proportions and character as the current structure. Goldsbury made a motion to approve, Pratt Townsend seconded.

Historical Commission Impact

Kate Kentfield attended a building committee meeting and suggested that more members attend to bolster Historical Commission impact on building committee decisions.

Linda Ziegenbein proposed creating a campaign to increase public awareness about Hadley history and gain support for preserving historic buildings. Margaret Freeman suggested that one way to accomplish this could be to have the Hadley Historical Society organize talks on each historic building in town. It was also suggested that the Commission could have a booth at town events, such as the Memorial Day Parade, promoting Hadley history and historic preservation.

Miscellaneous

Ginger Goldsbury attended the Massachusetts Historical Commission Coalition meeting about cemetery preservation.

Goldsbury was contacted by a producer from *Chronicle* who wanted to do a piece about the Hadley Common; she is forwarding the E-Mail to Marla Miller.

Ziegenbein and Kentfield presented information regarding a vote to tear down Hooker School and build a new library in its place. This information comes from a public meeting, as well as the Friends of the Goodwin Memorial Library Newsletter.

The Historical Commission decided to meet on the third Tuesday of November; Ziegenbein made the motion and Goldsbury seconded.

Goldsbury made a motion to adjourn at 9:10, Pratt Townsend seconded.