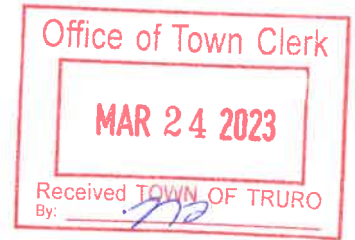


**TOWN of TRURO**  
**Truro Historical Commission**  
**Truro Historical Commission (THC) Meeting Minutes**



**Meeting Location:** Via Go to Meeting  
**Date and Time:** Tuesday, December 21, 2022, 4:30 pm

**Members Present:** Matthew Kiefer, Chair  
Chuck Steinman, Vice Chair  
Jim Summers, Secretary  
David Kirchner, Member  
Richard Larkin, Member  
Amy Rolnick, Member  
**Absent:** Bart Mitchell, Member

**Attending:** Barbara Carboni, Town Planner  
Joseph Finder & Michele Souda, Owners/applicants

**146 Rt. 6:** Chairman Kiefer opened the meeting and explained that the hearing was a continuation of the December 13, 2022 public hearing for the 146 Rt. 6 project.

Chairman Kiefer explained that the bylaw directs the THC to determine if the intended demolition would be detrimental to the historical, cultural or architectural heritage of the Town, or whether the work proposed will materially diminish the building or structure's significance to the Town's heritage, and to explore alternatives to demolition.

Richard Larkin had not attended the December 13, 2022 hearing but felt that he was familiar with the project and would be prepared to vote on the matter.

Vice Chair Steinman stated that he did not believe that the construction would require imposing a demolition delay as a result of the past significant alterations.

Vice Chair Steinman made the motion that the property had been significantly altered in the past, the THC would not find it be preferably preserved in terms of the demolition of the second floor as part of the project. Member Kirchner seconded the motion and all members, through a roll call vote, voted in favor.

**Minutes:**

David Kirchner moved, and Member Rolnick seconded, and all members, through a roll call vote, voted to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2022, meeting. The minutes will be filed with the Town Clerk.

**MHC area forms:**

Chair Kiefer requested the Commission members to review the draft Area Forms from Eric Dray for area familiarity, area map accuracy, missing properties in the districts and checking for general errors. These forms may be used for future Historic District applications and for future demolition delay reviews. The review assignments are attached to these meeting minutes.

**Town Planner report:**

1. Walsh property update – Potential uses of the existing cottages are still being considered in the planning process, but no decisions have been made. Vice Chair Steinman was concerned that appropriate vehicle parking for various densities has not been addressed.
2. Open Space and recreation plan draft will be distributed by Barbara Carboni.
3. Local Comprehensive Plan - A draft vision statement was created and will be distributed by Barbara Carboni.

**FY 2024 Community Preservation Committee (CPC) applications:**


1. Historic Truro Self-Guided Tour Booklet - The CPC asked to add 'recreation' to the application's purposes, along with Historic Preservation, after being advised that the Community Preservation Coalition's view of what is eligible for historic preservation is very narrow. Barbara Carboni stated that municipal counsel should be consulted on questions of eligibility and Barbara, as Truro's land use counsel, has determined that the statute is broad enough to include this project under historic preservation.
2. Meeting House cemetery restoration - CPC will recommend this project to be presented at Town Meeting 2023.
3. Cobb Library gutter replacement - CPC will recommend this project to be presented at Town Meeting 2023.

**New Business:**

Next THC meetings will be for a site visit at 1 Moorings Way to view a 1900s 14'x18' shed reported to be in hazardous condition that is proposed to be demolished and replaced with a 13'x24" shed/studio/storage structure, date to be determined, and a public hearing on Monday, January 30, 2023, at 4:30 pm.

There being no further business, Chair Kiefer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Member Kirchner seconded the motion and all members through a roll call vote, voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Summers, Secretary

 3/22/2023