

UPDATE: December meeting agenda
November MHC meeting
Topic: Historical Commission

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UPDATE FOR TOWN CLERK:

November 6, 2020: Due to technical issues with Zoom log-in, the November 5 meeting was held on November 6 without proper Open Meeting posting. Therefore, no issues were deliberated, voted upon or action taken. The November 6 meeting was informational only. All agenda items planned for November 5 will be revisited on December 3.

All MHC meetings will be held virtually until COVID-19 is declared over.

Here are the log in details for the December 3 meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9973178849>

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There was not a quorum on November 6 nor were minutes taken.

The next regular meeting of the commission will be held on **December 3 at 6 pm via Zoom.**

November 5 Agenda:

Secretary's Minutes

Treasurer's Report

New Business:

Discussion of goals moving forward

a. Alignment with state guidelines

Inventory of town-wide historic assets

What does that bring to the town

Next steps – how do we pay for it

b. Partnering with Mattapoisett Museum

c. Developing relationship with Marion and Rochester Commissions

(State's recognition of stone/rock walls – Crystal Spring Road sub-division

Section 105. Whoever willfully and without right pulls down or removes any portion of a stone wall or fence which is erected or maintained for the purpose of enclosing land shall be punished by a fine of not more than ten dollars.

Natural resource officers and deputy natural resource officers of the office of the secretary of the executive office of environmental affairs, may arrest without a warrant any person found violating this section

Section 15C: Scenic road designations; improvements; fines Section 15C. Upon recommendation or request of the planning board, conservation commission or historical commission of any city or town, such city or town may designate

any road in said city or town, other than a numbered route or state highway as a scenic road; provided, however, that a numbered route may be designated by a city or town as a scenic road if its entire length is contained within the boundaries of said city or town, and no part of said route is owned or maintained by the commonwealth. After a road has been designated as a scenic road any repair, maintenance, reconstruction, or paving work done with respect thereto shall not involve or include the cutting or removal of trees, or the tearing down or destruction of stone walls, or portions thereof, except with the prior written consent of the planning board, or if there is no planning board, the selectmen of a town, or the city council of a city, after a public hearing duly advertised twice in a newspaper of general circulation in the area, as to time, date, place and purpose, the last publication to occur at least seven days prior to such hearing; provided, however, that when a public hearing must be held under the provisions of this section and under section three of chapter eighty-seven prior to the cutting or removal of a tree, such hearings shall be consolidated into a single public hearing before the tree warden and the planning board, or if there is no planning board, the selectmen of a town, or the city council of a city, and notice of such consolidated public hearing shall be given by the tree warden or his deputy as provided in said section three of chapter eighty-seven. Any city or town making said scenic road designation may make an ordinance or by-law establishing that a violation of this paragraph shall be punished by a fine not to exceed three hundred dollars. Designation of a road as a scenic road shall not affect the eligibility of a city or town to receive construction or reconstruction aid for such road pursuant to the provisions of chapter ninety.

Commission's position and hearing update regarding safeguarding stone/arch bridge – 29 Randall Lane solar array construction. As of time of this posting Planning Board hearing date for this project. TBA.

Other new business. AGENDA December 3 includes all November 5 items PLUS:

Update on what constitutes an historical asset.

Vote to invite Marion Commission member(s) for discussion of historical asset inventory requirements.

Vote to link MHC home page with Mattapoisett Museum website.

Need to ascertain if acceptable to the BOS.

Vote to redesign guide into historical on-line publication until COVID-19 has passed critical stages.

Need to ascertain if Old Colony can assist.

Follow-up on state produced video on role of local commissions. Here's the link:

<https://www.preservationmass.org/localhistoricalcommissions>

Update on Randall Lane solar array.

Old Business:

Bricks – possible new business - new form, new rules

Daffodil planting complete

Other old business and anything not reasonably anticipated.