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## **Historical Commission for the Town of Provincetown**

Minutes of the Meeting of Wednesday, September 25, 2019;  
Bow Sprit Room, Provincetown Public Library

Attending: Stephen Borkowski, Susan Avellar, Polly Burnell, Anika Costa, Julia Perry,

Called to Order at 5:05 P.M.

1. There were no Public comments.
2. The Chair presented and there was discussion of proposed policies for the Accession /De-Accession of Historic Artifacts, the Josephine Del Deo Archive Room, and the Rose Dorothea. There was a motion to adopt the policies for Accession/ De-Accession and the Josephine Del Deo Archive Room made by Stephen Borkowski and seconded by Susan Avellar, voted 5-0-0. There was a motion to adopt the policy for the Rose Dorothea after amendment. Motion by Susan Avellar, second by Anika Costa, voted 5-0-0.
3. There was a general discussion of multiple requests to consider placing historic plaques on private property. It was decided that the Commission did not have authority to place plaques on private property.
4. There was a discussion of the request from the Beautification and Landscaping Committee (Bill Docker, Chair, Anika Costa, Liaison to our Committee) that the Commission get involved in the project to update First Landing Park. Phase 1 will be general clean-up, Phase 2 may include Historic Signage. The Commission agreed to offer our assistance.
5. The Commission discussed the future round of Community Preservation Committee grants and our desire to apply:
  - a. An application for funds to restore and display the Weir Map.
  - b. An application for funds to create a plexiglass box to protect and display the Barnstable Map
6. There was discussion of the need to recognize the role of George Bryant in the efforts to restore the Bas Relief.
7. There was discussion of the need to preserve the Banner archive in the event the local office closes. It was agreed to contact David Dunlap who had previously established contact.

8. There was discussion of the need to reinstate the work of the History Project - still awaiting a new computer for the work area in the basement of the Library.
9. One member raised the issue of the need to restore the exterior of Town Hall. There are loose clapboards and peeling paint, among other concerns. Question whether this work is in the Comprehensive Plan.
10. Minutes for May 1 and May 29 were reviewed and approved. (Motion by Polly Burnell, second by Stephen Borkowski, voted 5-0-0.

Adjourned at 6:15.