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Amesbury Historical Commission

Prepared by: Dick Joltes

Meeting Date: 23 May, 2024

Present: Joe Finn, Dick Joltes, Steve Klomps, Chris

Akelian, Jay Williamson

Visitors: Paul Gagliardi

Meeting called to order at 7:03PM



Amesbury Historical Commission
Town Hall • Friend Street
Amesbury, MA 01913

Note: Special meeting to discuss 230 Main St. -- continuance from 2 May 2024

1) 230 Main St

- Site visit accomplished; also attended by Meghan Fahey of APL
- Three criteria for establishment of historical significance
 - i. Listed in historic resource inventory
 - ii. Associated with well-known historic public figures
 - iii. Cultural history
- Steve moved to designated 230 Main Street historically significant since it meets all three; seconded by Chris
- Discussion ensued
 - i. Oldest part of building is late first period structure, ca. 1730-31
 - ii. Thomas Colby sold to Daniel Currier in ~1745
 - iii. Bagley voyage occurred 1791
 - 1. Captain's Well dated to 1796
 - iv. Federal modifications ca. 1820, included tavern conversion
 - 1. New kitchen is from the same period
 - v. Daniel Huntington lived in house 37 years
 - vi. 1905 deeded to Society of Friends as shelter for homeless
 - 1. Factor in cultural history
 - 2. Operated until 1963
 - vii. Many original features are retained in first period & Federal sections
 - 1. Windows, doors, flooring are all original
- Anne Ferguson asked about National Register of Historic Places designation
 - i. Preservation consultant feels it meets eligibility under two criteria
- Motion voted on, passed 5-0
 - i. 60-day clock for proposal begins

Dick motioned to adjourn; seconded, passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned 7:18

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Joltes, Acting Recording Secretary