

# *Norton Historic District Commission*

May 10, 2011

The monthly meeting of the Norton Historic District Commission was held at 7:00pm in the Municipal Building, First Floor Conference Room, 70 East Main Street, Norton, MA 02766.

The following members were present:

Peg Dooley  
Nancy Federici  
Christen Foote  
Clarence "Butch" Rich  
Frances Shirley

The following members were absent:

Sam Arena  
R. Goold

**Meeting Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by P. Dooley.

**Old Business**

The minutes from October 2010 were read. B. Rich motioned to approve minutes, seconded by P. Dooley, all in favor.

**New Business**

Henry White and Dave Nadeau attended the meeting to discuss 9 Taunton Avenue. The front entry steps need to be replaced as they are cracking and crumbling. They are a hazard to walk on. The plan is to replace the steps with fieldstone and 1 ½ inch or 2 inch granite on top. It will be a concrete base with granite on top. There is also a plan to replace the existing sidewalk to walkway with fieldstone.

F. Shirley asked the age of the sidewalk. Mr. White did not know the age but knew that it was replaced several times in the past.

P. Dooley mentioned that the house is in disarray. It needs paint, clothes are hanging all over the place, and trash and junk continue to litter the yard. The backyard is a mess. She added that Jack Nicolas' house is also in disarray.

B. Rich asked about painting and doing the shutters first.

***Motion:*** A motion was made by B. Rich to replace the walkway and steps at 9 Taunton Avenue. It was seconded by F. Shirley.

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Vote on the Motion:

Ayes:

P. Dooley  
F. Federici  
C. Foote  
Clarence "Butch" Rich  
F. Shirley

Nays: none

Other Issues

The air conditioning units at 9 Mansfield Avenue also need to be replaced. This would be for the first floor only. Pictures were provided to the members. A smaller size and style was planned for the left side of the building on the opposite driveway. A fence would be hiding it. The old units would be removed and replaced with similar units and five more would be added. Piping needs to be added on each side of the house and it would look like gutters. The piping would be painted the same color as the building. A white fence would be painted white with the building, hiding the six units.

**Motion:** A motion was made by B. Rich to replace and add six units of air conditioning and duct work to 9 Mansfield Avenue. It was seconded by F. Shirley.

Vote on the Motion:

Ayes:

P. Dooley  
F. Federici  
C. Foote  
Clarence "Butch" Rich  
F. Shirley

Nays: none

Watson Building was almost complete with handrails being installed soon. B. Rich wanted to be notified when all work was complete.

P. Dooley questioned about the chimney on Mansfield Avenue being replaced as not the same. Old chimney had bricks that stuck out and new one does not have bricks that jut out. B. Rich stated that we would look at this matter again in September with new pictures from Mr. White.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Adjournment:**

P. Dooley moved to adjourn at 7:55pm. Seconded by F. Shirley, all were in favor.

Next meeting date: Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Submitted by: Christen Foote, Secretary

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