

Lincoln Historical Commission
Historic District Commission
Brown's Wood Historic District Commission
Virtual Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Board Members: Andrew Glass, Chair, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Doug Adams, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Christopher Boit, HDC/LHC/BWHDC, Alternates: Frank Clark, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Allen Vander Meulen, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Judith Lawler, HDC/LHC/BWHDC.
(Members unavailable: Lynn DeLisi, Andrew Ory, Ephraim Flint, Gary Anderson)

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 7:30 PM.

Lincoln Historical Commission:

Hanscom Field ESPR; Virginia Adams, PAL, Inc.

Virginia Adams of Public Archaeology Laboratory, Inc. appeared before the Historical Commission (LHC) to provide a report regarding the status of the Massport Hanscom Field Environmental Status and Planning Report (ESPR). Massport prepares an ESPR for Hanscom Field approximately every five years. Massport completed the prior ESPR in 2017. As part of the ESPR, Massport evaluates the impact potential changes at Hanscom Field may have on cultural resources in surrounding communities. Andrew Glass noted that the LHC had provided Ms. Adams a list of properties that had joined Lincoln's Historic Districts since 2017. Ms. Adams noted that she would add these properties to the list of cultural resources that may be affected by changes at Hanscom Field. The LHC noted that the proposed expansion of the Field would have a negative impact on the Minute Man National Historic Park, on other cultural resources in the surrounding communities, and on the residential areas in Lincoln near the Field which the federal and state governments have deemed an Environmental Justice Community.

Andrew Glass moved that he prepare correspondence on behalf of the LHC to Ms. Adams outlining the points that discussed at the meeting. Doug Adams seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, Doug Adams- aye, Frank Clark- aye, Christopher Boit- aye, Judith Lawler-aye, Allen Vander Meulen-aye, Andrew Glass-aye.

Lincoln Historical Commission and Historic District Commissions:

Lincoln Climate Action Program, Jennifer Curtin, Assistant Director of Planning and Land Use

Lincoln Assistant Planning and Land Use Director Jennifer Curtin appeared before the LHC and the Historic District Commissions to discuss the Lincoln Climate Action Plan. Ms. Curtin is the Town's Project Manager for the Plan. Ms. Curtin made a brief presentation regarding the Plan, noting that the Plan will assist the Town in achieving sustainability, resilience, and environmental justice and equity in light of climate change. The process for developing the Plan includes community outreach with Town commissions, boards, and residents. Andrew Glass gave an brief overview about the roles of the LHC and the HDCs and how their missions fit with the thinking of the Climate Action Plan and with fostering equity. Frank Clark voiced concerns over high winds, the extreme drought, fire danger, and low water pressure. Christopher Boit mentioned the importance of energy efficient homes, insulating, dehumidifying, and lower energy consumption. Ms. Curtin noted the commissions comments and invited commission members to take the Climate Action Plan survey. The commissions thanked Ms. Curtin for all her work on the project.

Historic District Commission:

Codman Community Farm, 58 Codman Rd.

Peter Lowy and Craig Nicholson appeared before the HDC on behalf of Codman Farm. Mr. Lowy presented two proposals for a temporary high tunnel and an outdoor freezer unit. The proposed temporary tunnel would have the approximate dimensions of 16-feet high by 100-feet long. It is a steel structure with plastic covering and temporary walls and would be located at the distant end of the cow pasture, partially screened by the topography of the pasture. The proposed freezer unit would have the approximate dimensions of 9-feet high by 8-wide by 40-feet long and would be located on the north side of Barn B. The unit would also provide cold storage for the Lincoln Food Pantry.

Andrew Glass made a motion that we issue a certificate of appropriateness for the high tunnel and for the freezer unit as proposed in the materials presented. Frank Clark seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Christopher Boit- aye, Judith Lawler-aye, Doug Adams- aye, Frank Clark-aye, Allen Vander Meulen-aye, Andrew Glass-aye.

38 Lincoln Rd.

Thomas Wilcox appeared before the HDC to propose replacing the windows in the house with energy efficient windows. The proposed replacement windows would be double-hung, simulated-divided lights, replicating the existing six-over-six pattern.

Andrew Glass made a motion to issue a certificate of appropriateness for the replacement of the windows as described in the material presented. Christopher Boit seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Christopher Boit- aye, Judith Lawler-aye, Doug Adams- aye, Frank Clark-aye, Allen Vander Meulen-aye, Andrew Glass-aye.

Minutes:

Andrew Glass made a motion to approve the minutes from March 7, 2023. Frank Clark seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Christopher Boit- aye, Judith Lawler-abstained, Doug Adams- aye, Frank Clark-aye, Allen Vander Meulen-aye, Andrew Glass-aye.

Christopher Boit made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Frank Clark seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Christopher Boit- aye, Judith Lawler-aye, Doug Adams- aye, Frank Clark-aye, Allen Vander Meulen-aye, Andrew Glass-aye.

Submitted by Peggy Bozak