

**Cohasset Historical Commission Minutes of Meeting  
May 9th, 2022**

Members present: Jacqueline Dormitzer, Mark St. Onge, Julia Gleason (via Zoom), Noel Collins, and Megan Elder.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

**Determination of Historical Significance of 40 Parker Ave. Building**

**Criteria for Evaluating Historical Significance**

**Presentation by Jack Buckley, Founder/President of CCSCR**

Jack Buckley applied for CPC funding and asked to get from the Historical Commission a determination as to whether 40 Parker Ave., the building used as a showroom and office for Cohasset Colonials Furniture Co. (the "Hagerty house"), is historically significant. Jack presented his rationale noting that the significance is larger than the house itself and that the focus lies in the cultural whole of the work that took place at the building. (A link to the presentation is here: <https://arcg.is/1rvXfj1>). Jackie made a motion to support the historical significance of the building under the condition that enhancements were made to the windows on the two sides of the house seen from Parker Ave., i.e., window grilles and shutters. The Commission voted against making the window enhancements a condition and adjusted the motion to make the enhancements a strong recommendation instead:

The Historical Commission voted 4-1-0 to deem 40 Parker Ave. a historically significant building and to recommend that the fenestration on the façade and side visible from Parker Ave. be restored to its original appearance as seen in earlier photographs (1954, 1993/4).

**Update on Historical Commission Brochure**

The sub-committee is making movement forward. Megan and Julia to meet in person.

**Update on Permission to Investigate Lion's Den Site**

No update. Noel and Mark have not heard anything from the homeowners in response to the letter that was sent.

**Update on Permission to Install Sign at Pratt Corner**

Jackie was in touch with Lilly Sestito regarding the intent to place a sign on her property at the southwest corner of Beechwood and Doane indicating that the area was once a Quonahasset Winter Village. Lilly was generally in favor of the sign, but noted that given the current work being done at the location, it was not the best time for the sign installation.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Megan Elder, Secretary