



AGENDA

FRANKLIN HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024

6:30PM @the Franklin Historical Museum

80 West Central Street, Franklin, MA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Franklin Historical Commission will hold a Public Hearing, Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024 at 6:30PM regarding a demolition request application for the property at 19 Dean Avenue, Franklin MA.

Meeting will be held in-person at the Franklin Historical Museum, 80 West Central St. Franklin MA and optionally via Google Meets.

Alan Earls, Chair, Mary Olsson, Vice Chair, Phyllis Messere, Treasurer, Will Lee, Secretary/Associate, Paul Pisani, Scott Mason, Jan Prentice, Randy LaRosa.

The applicant will have an opportunity to explain their requests and any other interested parties will have an opportunity to speak. The Commission will be considering the matter under the provisions of the town's Demolition Delay Bylaw (Chapter 71 Demolition Delay, adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Franklin 1-22-2003)

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FRANKLIN HISTORICAL COMMISSION AGENDA

Regular Meeting --Wednesday, Feb 21, 2024

Approximately 7:00 PM @the Franklin Historical Museum (immediately following demolition hearing)

80 West Central Street, Franklin, MA

The following agenda includes a general list of items to be discussed but other items may be brought forward for discussion during the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Jan 10, 2024

CITIZENS COMMENTS

APPOINTMENTS:

PRESENTATIONS:

FFHM Report

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Treasurer's report

- Archivist update
- Second Sunday Speaker Series
- CPC Update

OLD BUSINESS

- Need to submit expenses to Phyllis in a timely manner.
- Friends funding and requested funds in 2024 budget
- Friends plans going forward
- Recap of Ben Franklin Book Week
- Train exhibit status and funding needs
- Cleaning up and streamlining space (water bottle air purifiers), items in hallway and stairwell (mostly TBD)
- Welcome display – short video or animated PowerPoint to help people understand what they are looking at, etc. Progress
- Facilities: Still waiting for any action on screen and several other items. Rowan has presented written list of needs to Kevin, Mike’s assistant.
- IT planning to remove and replace computers. Any data must be moved ASAP
- New guest logs and new logs for film nights.
- Route 140 History Trail Progress Report
- Silent Saturday, Foreign Film Fridays progress report
- Other programs: Calligraphy 2x in March, possibly more
- Special Calendar exhibit organized by Mary
- Summary of report to Jamie and Amy
- Senior Tax write off and other help – updates and ideas.
- 50th Anniversary of “Lady Bugs” in May
- Armenian Genocide event in April with local voices
- Holocaust remembrance day, Jan 2025 with Spielberg-funded video of former Franklin resident and Auschwitz survivor.
- Jeff Belanger, very popular “spooky” speaker scheduled for Oct. just before Halloween.

NEW BUSINESS

- Acceptable Key Use Policy
- Indian independence day in August
- Mini St. Rocco’s Festival during Harvest Festival
- Antique Appraisal Event for Friends
- Determine vendor/design for “Circa” Signs
- Etc.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

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