

Members Present: P Halpern (PH), S. Wagner (SW), A. Fobes (AF) , Al Aydelott (AA), Kathy Scadden (KS).
Note: AA recused himself from all matters regarding 88 North Ave.

Staff present: John Field (JF)

Attendees: Adrienne Giske, Alan Day and Nancy Vescuso. Peter Vescuso, Terry Eastman, Heather Ahearn, Sean Papich, Ellen DiPaola, Geoffrey Garcia, Jim ?, Amelia and Ken Goldie, Mark Sargent, Drew ?

Location: online

Link to recording: <https://weston.vod.castus.tv/vod/?video=fd5d9e04-2110-487c-b878-462aabb79b67&nav=programs%2FHistorical%20Commission%20-%20Weston%20MA>

SW called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and read an open meeting law disclaimer from the Governor regarding remote meetings. KS accepted his request to take minutes.

Agenda Items:

1. **Public Comments:** None

2. **Demolition Delay Dispositions -- For details, see attached Demolition Delay Review Summaries on Pages 2-3:**

A. 97 Bogle St.	Discussion to potentially lift delay: Continued to August 17, 2021.
B. 88 North Ave.	Public Hearing: Continued to August 3, 2021 due to lack of quorum.
C. 164 Orchard Ave:	Initial Determination: Found Significant, Public Hearing scheduled for August 17, 2021.
D. 741 Boston Post Rd.	Initial Determination: Found Significant, Public Hearing scheduled for August 17, 2021.
E. 390 Highland Ave.	Initial Determination: Found Significant, Public Hearing scheduled for August 17, 2021.

3. Other H C Business

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| A. Proposal to replace streetlights with LEDs | In response to an initiative proposed by the town's new Sustainability Coordinator, all WHC members support replacing all town streetlights in town with LEDs. PH and SW will send a memo expressing our recommendation that the color of the lights be a warm yellow vs stark white. |
| B. Volunteers for "Window Committee" | SW and PH met with John Field, Leon Gaumond and Chris Houston. One topic of discussion was how to enhance education and possibly expedite approvals for window replacements. In the past there was a subcommittee to work on this outside of formal WHC meetings. Henry Stone (not present tonight) was involved, so this discussion can best continue at a later date. KS volunteered to join committee. |

4. **Treasurer's Report:** no update

5. **Administrative Approvals:** none

6. **Historic Marker applications:** none

7. **Approval of minutes** AA moved to approve 5/13/21 minutes / KS seconded / Vote: Unanimous

7. **Calendar** Next meetings: 8/17/21 and 9/14/21.

8. Adjournment: Vote: Unanimous
Meeting adjourned 8:00 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted: Kathy Scadden

Demolition Delay Review Summary:

A	Location and Documentation	Process	Applicant(s) Present	Building Data	Proposed Demolition	Notes
A	97 Bogle St. MHC Form B	Request to consider lifting demolition delay	None: O	1.5-story 1933 brick house with minor 1985 renovations. Also, a detached garage.	Total demolition of house and garage	Previously found significant, Demolition delay imposed 6/22/2021.
	Discussion: Owner not present, so discussion was not possible.					
	Disposition: KS moved to continue discussion to next meeting on 8/17/21. AA seconded. All approved, unanimous.					
B	Location and Documentation	Process	Applicant(s) Present	Building Data	Proposed Demolition	Notes
	88 North Ave. MHC Area Form, MHC Form B Preservation Restriction.	Public Hearing	Alan Day & Nancy Vescuso: O Adrienne Giske: A	2.5 story 1786 Federal-Georgian style two-family house in Kendal Green National Register District	Partial demolition that includes an addition on west side	Previously voted significant
	Discussion: Al Aydelott recused himself and left the zoom. The remaining H C members did not constitute a quorum, so no discussion on the matter could occur.					
	Disposition: KS moved to continue discussion to 8/3/21 / PH seconded the motion / All agreed.					
C	Location and Documentation	Process	Applicant(s) Present	Building Data	Proposed Demolition	Notes
	164 Orchard Ave. MHC Area Form, MHC Form B	Initial Determination	Ken and Amelia Goldie: O Jim ? & Geoffrey Garcia : A	2.5 story 1912 Colonial Revival style house known as The Knoll in Orchard Ave Historic Area	Partial demolition including multiple additions	
	Discussion: House was built for Elizabeth Hubbard by her father, estate owner, Charles W Hubbard. It remains in excellent condition and makes an important contribution to the Orchard Avenue Historic Area.					

		<p>The owner and architects discussed a proposal for restoring portions of the house and adding to it with wings on both the south and a north. Additionally, a covered walkway/greenhouse connection between the main house and the existing studio building would be added. Materials and details would match those on the existing dwelling. Drawings reviewed are by Island Architects dated July 20, 2021. Commission members complimented the drawings, but made a few recommendations.</p>				
		<p>Disposition: KS moved to find the house significant. AA seconded, all approved. KS moved to bring the application to a public hearing on 8/17/21 / AA seconded / all agreed.</p>				
D	Location and Documentation	Process	Applicant(s) Present	Building Data	Proposed Demolition	Notes
	741 Boston Post Rd MHC Area Form, MHC Form B	Initial Determination	None: O	2-story 1880 barn with 1-story wing in Boston Post Rd National Register Historic District	Partial demolition including additions	
		<p>Discussion: Barn has been converted to a residence. It was originally a part of a farmstead that goes back to the earliest settlement in town. It is prominently located in the BPR National Register Historic District.</p> <p>Owner was not present so there was no discussion on the proposal.</p>				
		<p>Disposition: AA moved to find the structure significant / KS seconded / all approved. AA moved to bring the application to a public hearing on 8/17/21 / KS seconded / all agreed.</p>				
E	Location and Documentation	Process	Applicant(s) Present	Building Data	Proposed Demolition	Notes
	390 Highland Ave MHC Form B	Initial Determination	Note: O	2.5 story 1927 Colonial Revival style house, 1 story barn and misc. sheds	Total demolition of house, barn and sheds	
		<p>Discussion: House was built by Vincenzo Anza and Nellie Bianca. House and barn complex is prominently located on this Scenic Rd and is iconic for its agricultural character and history. It has been farmed by the Anza family until recently.</p> <p>The condition of the house is severely neglected but the barn structure is still good. According to a letter provided, the owner intends to reuse much of the existing lumber in the barn.</p> <p>Owner was not present so there was no discussion on the proposal.</p>				
		<p>Disposition: PH moved to determine the house and barn significant / KS seconded / all approved. AA moved to bring the application to a public hearing on 8/17/21 / KS seconded / all approved.</p>				
	Abbreviations	<p>O = Owner; OR = Owner's Representative; D = Designer; Ar = Architect; Att = Attorney, C = Contractor</p>				