

Billerica Historical Commission  
Minutes  
May 10, 2021 Meeting  
Approved Dec. 13, 2021

Members Present: Alec Ingraham, Travis Brown, Matt Hrono, and Mary Leach  
Members Absent: Andy Boisvert  
Guest: Deb Burke

Alec Ingraham called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was held via ZOOM.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the previous two Commission's meetings were unanimously approved.

Oliver Farmer House: The application for a demolition permit for the Oliver Farmer house on Boston Road just north of the Billerica Center Historic District was withdrawn. This was good news.

Peter Hill House: The Peter Hill House on Concord Road is for sale and may soon be razed. It is unfortunate that this house, which is inventory eligible, was never inventoried.

Markers and plaques Map: This project is ongoing and will provide a valuable inventory once complete.

Otis Lincoln House: At 7:30 P.M. an open hearing was held in compliance with the Demolition Delay By-law. Deb Burke represented the applicant for the demolition permit. Since the house is inventoried, the permit fell under the purview of the Commission. After much deliberation it was determined that the house was an important historical asset and once demolished could never be replaced. After the open hearing was closed, the Commission members voted unanimously to require that the demolition be delayed six months. During this time period, it is necessitated that the owner of the property find an avenue which will result in the preservation of the house. The delay under the by-law expires on November 10, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.