

CITY OF GLOUCESTER

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Minutes, Meeting of October 9, 2018

Members present: S. Goodick, C. Nazarian, R. Chandler, W. Remsen, P. Fish, D. Porper

The meeting called to order by Chairman Porper at 7:03 p.m.

First order of business was a continuation for an application for replacement of fascia boards as needed and to replace wooden gutters with copper gutters at 33 Pleasant St. Glen Asaro, owner, said he understood the commissions concern about replacing the gutters with copper rather than keeping wood. There was some discussion about replacing gutters with fiberglass or some other composite material but that decision will be deferred until spring.

For the present he would like to remove the old gutters and rotted fascia and only replace the fascia board and soffit now with composite material.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for the removal of gutters, fascia and soffit and replace only soffit and fascia boards now.

Unanimously approved

Second item was a request from the Sawyer Free Library, 2 Dale Ave., to install a free standing sign at the Dale Ave. main entrance. Wendy Quinones represented the library.

The sign will have an aluminum frame with glass and aluminum framed door with cork Back. Wendy provided a picture of the sign to be executed by Boston Sign Co. There was a brief discussion and the members thought the sign would have minimum impact. C. Nazarian expressed the hope that a darker shade could be achieved on the metal frame.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to grant a certificate of Appropriateness to the Sawyer Free Library for a free standing sign with metal frame to be installed to the right of the entrance wall at 2 Dale Ave.

Unanimously approved

Library expansion plans. There was an informal discussion of the plans to expand the library which might include demolition of the Monell wing, or an addition to it. No plan has been submitted to the HDC yet. A joint meeting of the HDC, GHC, and library board will be held on Monday, October 15 at 5:30 p.m. in the Friend Room to share ideas and concerns.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

R. David Porper, Secretary pro tem, chairman

