Joint meeting of Select Board, Affordable Housing, Conservation Commission and Historical Commission

May 5, 2025

Dunstable Town Hall

Present at the meeting were Kieran Meehan, SB & AH; Leah Basbanes, SB & CC; Ron Mikel, SB; Carol Bacon, AH & HC; Jon Hughes; John DeNyse; Kelley Escalada; Debbie Courtney, all AH; Alan Chaney, CC; Anne Davis; Kathryn Irzyk, Brian Whetstone, all HC; Jason Silva, TA.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 by Leah, to discuss the historic property at 473 High Street which is currently in 61A restriction. The town has the right of first refusal. Michael and Michelle Larkin, representing possible purchasers, were there to present their proposal.

Alan suggested a committee to investigate the situation and property with a goal of preserving the house as a historical property. Jon suggested that it could be used for affordable housing; Anne suggested it would be better as housing than as a museum.

There was a lengthy discussion about the condition of the house. The Select Board wants a qualified person to go into the house and evaluate the condition. Anne agreed to find someone for next week if possible.

The Larkins want waivers signed before anyone goes into the house.

In the strictly AH part of the meeting, minutes for January 29 and February 24 were approved as amended.

Carol Bacon

Secretary