East Providence Historic District Commission Minutes
January 10,2024

In attendance: Deb Ormerod, Eric Underhill, Tom Warzeck, Patrick Hanner- Planning Department

1) Call to order: 6:40- 1st Deb, 2nd Eric
2) Correspondence - none
3) Approval of minutes: 11.8.2023: 1st Eric, 2nd Tom
4) New Business
    a) City-wide interpretive sign program
        i) Grant period ended Dec 31- city was granted an extension for 30 more days as 80% of the work is complete; invoice for sign panels was paid by City and given to RI Commerce who will reimburse City; looking for a few more pictures of Bridgham; pictures of house are available but difficulty in finding pictures of actual house
    b) Newman Cemetery condition assessment and maintenance plan
        RFP drafted for scope of work; currently under review by State Reservation office
    c) New requirement to submit dates of meetings to state for upcoming year; 1st Deb, 2nd Eric

    d) Other Business
        i) New requirements state that a majority of the appointed members of a commission need to be present to be considered a quorum
        ii) Marshall Company has submitted a new application packet for Metacomet property
            (1) Preservation report included- Public Archaeological Laboratory (PAL) recommends a study of the area with highest disturbance be conducted to determine if there are any artifacts or burial grounds of indigenous people who may have lived on the property at one time
        iii) EP Historical Board met with Mayor DaSilva for discussion about the proposed Community Multicultural Center; Board will be invited to a meeting to review new designed once completed by architect
    e) Next meeting: Feb 14, 2024

5) Adjournment: 7:17, 1st Deb, 2nd Eric