

Certified Local Government

Joint meeting of the Historic District Commission and Nantucket Historical Commission

June 28, 2024 Meeting

1PM

Via Zoom

Attendees:

Val Oliver – HDC

Joe Paul – HDC

Angus MacLeod – HDC and NHC Chair

Connie Patten – HDC

Stephen Welch – HDC Chair

Abby De Molina – NHC

Rita Carr – NHC

Clement Durkes – NHC

Holly Backus – PLUS Staff: Preservation Planner

Not present: Ray Pohl – HDC

Abby Camp – HDC

Tom Montgomery – NHC

Mickey Rowland – NHC

George Butterworth – NHC

Agenda

- Stephen Welch, HDC Chair
 - Roll call & acceptance of agenda *Attendance: Val – aye, Joe – aye, Angus – aye, Connie – aye, and Stephen – aye. Motion to accept the agenda by Val, Val – aye, Joe – aye, Angus – aye, Connie – aye, and Stephen – aye.*
- Angus MacLeod, NHC Chair
 - Roll call & acceptance of agenda *Attendance: Abby – aye, Rita – aye, Clement – aye, and Angus – aye.*
- Welcome from CLG Coordinator – Holly Backus, Preservation Planner
- Nantucket is part of the Certified Local Government Program as of March 19, 2021.
 1. CLG Discussion
 - A. “Building with Nantucket in Mind” – Super Index *Stephen introduced how the NHC can assist the HDC by making things more succinct and accessible by creating the concept of a ‘Super Index’ that would clarify and simplify how people look for guidance (with specific references and pages numbers). Joe commented that a visual reference would help applicants and Angus agreed. Next step is to schedule a workshop on this – timing may be late July and try to be complete by early Fall. Agreement to possibly meet at 9AM on a Saturday.*
 - B. Memorandum of Understanding Document included in packet. *We are required to have a MOU but we also wanted to have an internal MOU that outlines roles of both commissions. Clement asked about a previous draft and how it differs. This*

is the original draft and the subsequent draft was a list of specific projects. This is intended to be a baseline document on how the two groups work together with working goals for each respective commission.

2. Presentation – lead by Holly Backus, Preservation Planner/CLG Coordinator
 - A. Brief history of Nantucket Island Architectural & Cultural Resource Survey by the HDC (1988/1989)
 - i. Historic Properties Survey Plan – adopted created by PAL, Public Archaeology Laboratory, Inc. SURVEY PLAN: [Historic-Properties-Survey-Plan-PDF](#) (nantucket-ma.gov) August 1988 – Nantucket received a \$10,000 grant to review Brant Point and other surrounding areas. In 1989 HDC approved its 20,000th COA and did an intensive survey with AJ Souza, phase 1 with NHA – Brant Point, Cliff Road, etc. and then Phase 2 was Sconset, Quidnet, Surfside, Wauwinet, etc. Created many surveys not online and not in MACRIS. Current Preservation Plan is online and adopted by NHC and MHC.
 - ii. FORM Bs – aka HDC Surveys Plan is this will take ~10 years and include our partners from NPT, NHA, Sconset Trust and PIN.
 1. Architectural description
 2. Historical narrative
 3. Bibliography/references
 4. Historic photographs
 5. Existing photographs
 - B. Survey Projects:
 - i. MHC Grant FY21 –Pilot Survey of Fish Lots (completed)
 - ii. MHC Grant FY22 – Fish Lots & Brant Point (almost completed)
 - iii. MHC Grant FY23 – pending updated RFQ
 - iv. MHC Grant FY24
 - v. Sconset Trust have hired Betsy Tyler to work on these surveys
 - C. FY24 CPC Project – West Monomoy PIN will be tackling Monomoy/New Guinea area.
 - D. CLG Training CLG members should review the documents from the training (in packet)
 - E. JFK Bunker in Tom Nevers The CLG may be able to advocate for the bunker as part of ongoing NPS work with the Cold War and a great way for Nantucket be a part of it. Idea that we should consider it as a first nomination. CLG may be eligible for some grant money. Question from Rita on whether we could nominate the bunker separately – note that it is not-contributing to the NHL status so could be done separately.
- Close CLG Meeting:
 - Angus MacLeod, NHC Chair *the NHC looks forward to working together. Motion to adjourn by Clement, Clement – aye, Rita – aye, Abby – aye, and Angus – aye.*
 - Stephen Welch, HDC Chair *Motion adjourn by Val. Val – aye, Joe – aye, Connie – aye, and Stephen – aye.*

NHC adopted these CLG Minutes at their August 16, 2024 regular meeting.
HDC adopted these CLG Minutes at their August 27, 2024 regular meeting.
-Holly Backus, Preservation Planner / Local CLG Coordinator