

Minutes of the October 12, 2022, meeting of the Washington Historic Preservation Commission.

Members present: Dan Bagley, Denny Dingledine, Brent Goken, Dan Phillips, Nancy Silverthorn, and Leri Slonneger

Members absent: Walter Ruppman

Also present: Melissa Heil and Jon Oliphant

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.
2. Audience Comments: Sharon Amdall expressed her support for the proposed mural and its historically-significant style.
3. Approval of Minutes: Mr. Goken made a motion to approve the September 7, 2022, Commission meeting minutes. Second by Mr. Dingledine. Motion approved 6-0.
4. New Business:
 - A. Certificate of Appropriateness – 128 Washington Square. The Washington Historical Society proposes to have a mural painted on the south-facing façade of its building at 128 Washington Square. Melissa Heil, Executive Director of the WHS, said that this is intended to reflect the connection between the Round Barn and the creation of the WHS. While the Round Barn on Eldridge Street was demolished in 1988, the effort to save it helped establish the WHS. The work is scheduled to begin on October 15 and be completed the following week, weather permitting. This would be the third mural commissioned in as many years by the WHS. A question was asked by Mr. Phillips about including additional text to show the location on Eldridge. Ms. Heil thought that such language could be inserted. Mr. Dingledine asked whether the mural would be on the entire wall. Ms. Heil responded that it would only be on a portion of the façade since tuckpointing has not been done on the entire wall. Mr. Goken noted the history of a mural on the WRC building and that it would be a good location for a future mural. Mr. Goken made a motion to approve the mural and Mr. Bagley seconded. The motion was approved 6-0.
5. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:17 pm. The next meeting date will be at a time and location to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Oliphant