Minutes

Thursday January 25, 2018

Meeting at Fitchburg Wallace Library, 610 Main Street, Old Law Library

Members of FHC present: Keith Chenot, Ellen DiGeronimo, Don Ostrowski, Sue Roetzer, Steve Twining,

1. Discussion of City Council meeting and vote on funding renovation of City Hall campus. FHC needs to have educational meetings for the public.

2. Update on Historical Districts in Fitchburg. May is Historic Preservation month #ThisPlaceMatters. Contact Peter Acela for talk. Relationship to historical preservation to economic development. Does city trolley still exist. If so, it can be used for tours and connection between Fitchburg State University and the Theater Block. Question of sources of funding raised.

3. Moran Square Redevelopment project and the preservation and rehabilitation of the Harper Furniture Building and the Summer Street Fire Station discussed. Fire Station will be retained.

4. Letter of support request for Rollstone Hill Trail Grant written by Sam Blair for the FHC

5. Report on Upper Common Historic District informational meeting held Monday, January 8

6. Discussion of City Council’s acceptance of $1.8 million insurance settlement for B. F. Brown fire.

7. New Business: A motion was made and passed to henceforth have FHC meetings from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Thursdays.