

Hello planning board,

If similar comments have already been raised and discussed my apologies. I've only been hearing developments second hand, and minutes have not yet been posted from previous meetings.

I'd like the board to consider the public relations volatility of demolishing an old house that looks unmistakably similar to, and equally well known as our beloved Wells Boat House. What precedent would that set? Will the boat house be the next one up for demolition? Furthermore, this action would not go unnoticed, photos and videos will undoubtedly be taken and shared. The Negative fallout from such actions would be quite damaging and long lasting for the public's esteem of the College, the village, and the tourists' appeal. Those doubting the effects of this action should consider how it would be perceived if this were to take place during graduation, reunion week, a large wedding at the Inn, or the newly revived Aurorafest.

I'd like to challenge the board to consider what risks there would be if the house was restored? I see only positive praise and a worth while investment to whomever fixed it.

Kindly, Theon Parseghian