

Approved 2-9-2022

Winchendon Historic Commission

Minutes
Regular Meeting
Wednesday December 8, 2021
Via Remote Participation

Members Present: Peg Corbosiero, Don O'Neil, Gerry Harrington, Jay McCronon, Lois Abare

Members Absent: Mary Harrington

Others Present: Jenelle Sroczynski

Meeting called to order: 6:00 p.m.

Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes of the September 15, 2021 meeting O'Neil/McCronon, 5-0 aye by roll call vote@ 6:01pm.

New Business:

Brownfield Grant opportunities will be discussed at the next meeting. Mr. McCronon is interested in new tree plantings on the Old Centre Common. There are 3 oak trees that need to be replaced. Mr. McCronon will get a cost estimate. Mr. O'Neil to speak with Mr. Croteau regarding the DPW's help with planting. Mr. McCronon will also speak with Tracy Murphy, Director of Planning & Development to discuss the replacement of the wildlife habitat on the Militia Field.

The Commisison is in receipt of plans from Walgreens for the new store they are proposing to build on Central Street. This would be an anchor store for the street. The town manager has concerns regarding the design of the building, and would like it to be more cohesive with the current buildings. Ms. Sroczynski to write letter of support, Ms. Corbosiero to sign,

Old Business:

Ms. G. Harrington received a notice regarding National Grid wanting to install new power lines on the Old Centre Common. This will be discussed at the Board of Selectmen's meeting scheduled for December 13, 2021 at 6:30 pm. The proposed lines will be located on the west side (Marshall Smith's) side of the Common. Ms. Harrington feels it is important that the

Commission is represented at the meeting. Ms. Corbosiero will attend the meeting on the Commission's behalf.

Ms. Harrington has also been doing research on signs to mark the entrances into the Historic Districts of town. She has forwarded pictures to the Commission. The town is in the process of designing uniform signage through it's wayfair and branding initiative. Mr. Guy Corbosiero will inquire as to how the Commission receives approval to install signs. Ms. Harrington will work on a cost estimate.

Next scheduled meeting set for January 12, 2022 in person.

Adjournment: *Motion to adjourn: O'Neil/Abare, 5– 0 aye by roll call vote @ 6:17pm.*

Meeting Adjourned at 6:17pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Jenelle Sroczynski
Board Secretary

Minutes Approved By:
