

Approved 1-11-23

Winchendon Historic Commission

**Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, November 9, 2022**  
**Via Remote Participation**

**Members Present:** Lois Abare, Jay McCronon, Peg Corbosiero, Guy Corbosiero

**Members Absent:** Don O'Neil, Mary Harrington, Gerry Harrington

**Others Present:** Jenelle Sroczynski, Recording Secretary,

**Meeting called to order:** 3:04p.m.

**Minutes:**

*Motion to approve minutes of the October 12, 2022 regular meeting Abare/ McCronon 4-0 aye by roll call vote@ 3:04pm.*

**New Business:**

Electrical Lines: The Commission is interested in burying the electrical lines on the Common, and there are questions for the Town Manager and DPW Director as to how best proceed. Unfortunately, neither could attend the meeting. Mr. Corbosiero will meet with Town Manager and ask questions. Mr. McCronon feels its best to seek the expertise of a landscape architect to aid in the placement of boxes and lines. This project may need town approval. A survey of Old Centre Common Residents will also need to occur to see who is interested in having their lines buried. It is understood the cost associated with the individual homes will fall on the homeowners. Mr. McCronon will get the National Grid account number from the town. The Commission feels strongly that the Historic District needs improvements and to be maintained or it will decline. Ms. Abare also suggested the expansion of the Historic District.

**Old Business:**

Brownfield Grants: There is no new information on this item.

Electrical Lines on Old Centre Common: This item was discussed under new business.

Wildlife Habitat Replacement on Militia Field: An estimate was provided by Mr. McCronon. The Commission is interested in securing Robinson-Broadhurst funding for this project.

New Plantings on Old Centre Common: Mr. McCronon has received estimates and they have been forwarded to Commission Members. The estimate is for bigger trees than originally discussed as to be cohesive with trees already on the Common. Mr. McCronon feels he can secure volunteers with the necessary equipment to aid in digging holes and planting the trees. The trees can be delivered from Weston Nursery. The Commission is interested in securing Robinson-Broadhurst funding for this project. Mr. Corbosiero and Mr. McCronon will spearhead the effort. Mr. Corbosiero will meet with Town Manager to discuss.

Historic District Signs: This item is under review. Mr. Corbosiero will reach out to DW Designs (Dennis Whitcomb) to discuss design options. Mr. McCronon has done some research as well.

Historic Commission Communication: Mr. Corbosiero will follow up with Mr. Sultzbach regarding contact information.

Next scheduled meeting-Scheduled for December 14, 2022

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Corbosiero at 3:36pm.

**Meeting Adjourned at 3:37pm.**

Respectfully submitted by:  
Jenelle Sroczynski  
Board Secretary

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