

Winchendon Historic Commission

Minutes
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, November 13, 2024
Via Remote Participation

Members Present: Mary Harrington, Jenelle Sroczynski, James McCrohon , Guy Corbosiero, Yvonne Harrington

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Meeting called to order: 4:01p.m.

Minutes:

*Motion to approve minutes of the October 9, 2024 meeting Sroczynski/Corbosiero 5-0
Approved by roll call vote @ 4:02 pm.*

Announcements:

Chairwoman Harrington announced that she will be working on the annual report for the Commission. This report is presented at Town Meeting in the spring with all other town offices and committees. Ms. Harrington and Ms. Sroczynski will collaborate. She will send out for Commission review when it is completed.

Public Comments:

None were heard

Member Comments:

Mr. Corbosiero informed the Commission that Ms. Jill Sackett has resigned from the Master Plan Implementation Committee. Mr. Corbosiero also suggested extending the Demolition by Delay by-law from 12 to 18 months. This is the longest period allowed by the Attorney General. This article will have to be presented at and voted on at Spring Town Meeting. There will be no Fall Town Meeting.

Ms. Sroczynski stated how wonderful the Fall Fest was. The Commission's booth received a lot of foot traffic. She feels it was great to have the visibility in town. She also mentioned the great progress at the Adams Farm on Hall Road. The house has had some maintenance and painting and looks wonderful. Ms. Sroczynski mentioned she had a conversation with Nikki Nickerson, resident of

Old Centre. Ms. Nickerson is interested in joining the Commission, but felt like it was a conflict. Ms. M. Harrington will reach out to both her and Ms. Sackett regarding the possibility of becoming alternate members. Lastly, it was noted that 179 Front Street has been listed for sale. The Commission will keep an eye on renovation progress.

Mr. McCrohon has been researching downtown Historic Districts. He feels this could help with Winchendon's economic revival, as it would bring in tourists. He will send out the information he has for Commission members to review.

Ms. Y. Harrington thanked Mr. McCrohon for all of his work and the surveys he provided for Fall Fest. All members echoed this sentiment.

Ms. M. Harrington told the Commission that 13 surveys were filled out. She will work on compiling information and report back. She was happy with the turn out at Fall Fest as well.

Old Business:

No updates

Next meeting scheduled for December 11, 2024 at 4pm.

Adjournment: *Motion to adjourned Sroczynski/Y. Harrington, 5-0 Approved by roll call vote @ 4:20pm.*

Meeting Adjourned at 4:21pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jenelle Sroczynski
Board Secretary

Minutes Approved By:
