

**Harwinton Historic District & Historic Properties Commission**  
**Minutes For Virtual Meeting – August 16, 2022 – 7:00 PM**

**Present:** Bree Gurin, Joann Hohensee, Carole Romano, Peter Brazaitis, Power Boothe

**Absent:** Greg Marshall

With quorum established, the meeting was opened at 7:09 PM by Chairman Carole Romano. Carole thanked Bree Gurin for setting up tonight's Zoom meeting, Minutes of the virtual meeting held on April 19, 2022, were approved as submitted. The Commission did not meet from May 2022 through July 2022. **A correction** was made to the August 16, 2022 agenda which should have read "Approve minutes of virtual meeting held on **April 19, 2022**".

**BUDGET:**

Our budget request for FY 2022-23 for \$1,000 was approved.

Membership in CT Preservation was approved for renewal at the Municipal Level of \$75.00. All in favor.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Greg Marshall (Regular,) Power Boothe (Alternate), and Peter Brazaitis (Regular) were sworn in at Town Hall for another term.

**WEBSITE UPDATE:**

We discussed our recently established page on the Town's website, accessible at <https://www.harwinton.us/historic-district-commission>. Preservation information and the Historic District Commission handbook, which is a valuable resource for Historic District homeowners, can be accessed by clicking on the appropriate item in the menu bar located in the upper left-hand corner .

**DISTRICT SIGNS:**

Greg repaired and reinstalled the sign at the intersection of Routes 118 and 4 by the Recreation Area. The sign may require a new bracket in the future, all other signs up and in good condition.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No applications for Certificate of Appropriateness or requests for information have been received. Carole brought us up to date on a communication she received from the Urso family, who reside at 76 Harmony Hill Road, regarding an application submitted in July 2020, just prior to the COVID 19 shutdown. The Commission's response at that time was:

*"The garden structure which is not enclosed or attached to the home does not require a COA. Five letters were sent to abutting neighbors as a courtesy at that time with only one neighbor voicing concerns to the project, which were unrelated to Historic District Commissions guidelines."*

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM. The next virtual meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Hohensee, Secretary

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