

Harwinton Historic District & Historic Properties Commission

Minutes of Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 – 7:00 PM

Present: Peter Brazaitis, Bree Gurin, Joann Hohensee, Greg Marshall, Carole Romano

Absent: Power Boothe

With quorum established, the virtual meeting was opened at 7:05 PM by Chairman Carole Romano.

Minutes of the Tuesday, January 21, 2020 meeting (the last meeting prior to the COVID shutdown) were discussed and approved. Topics included a CoA for a parking lot expansion at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church; budget request for 2021-2022; sign donation to HHS; and cemetery signs. A motion to approve the minutes as submitted was made by Bree Gurin, seconded by Greg Marshall. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

An application for a CoA was received in February 2021 from Lynne Bobroske, 141 Burlington Road, for repairs to the existing garage structure and the addition of a carport. After discussion, members concluded that this was routine maintenance and due to COVID restrictions, no public hearing would be required. Three certified letters were sent to district homeowners within 200 feet: Baker, Mattiello, and Chiaramonte, notifying them of the proposed work. A courtesy letter was sent to Stephen Camp on Locust Road. Roll call of the vote: Peter Brazaitis, yes; Bree Gurin, yes; Joann Hohensee, yes; Greg Marshall, yes; Carole Romano, yes. Certificate of Appropriateness #95 issued.

To date, there has been no update on the application received from Jason and Sarah Urso, Harmony Hill Road, for a patio and pavilion.

NEW BUSINESS:

The new owner of #2-8 South Road contacted Carole about replacing a wrought iron fence that was originally put in place when a previous owner installed an inground pool, prior to the establishment of the Harwinton Historic District. Years later, the pool and the fence were removed by a successive owner. The current owner would now like to install a fence to replicate the original and she will submit an application with detailed information.

The Commission's 2021-2022 budget request of \$1,000 was approved by the Board of Finance for the upcoming annual budget meeting.

A budget printout from the Finance Department shows the Commission has a balance of \$865.75 remaining in the 2020-2021 budget year.

Susan Fenn McClen is Harwinton's new town historian, replacing Roger Plaskett who passed away earlier this year. Roger's website "Harwinton History" is no longer

functioning, and a new website may have to be constructed. Members discussed concern about getting historic district information and photos out of the archives.

SIGNS:

Greg Marshall will rehang the district sign on Route 4 by the conservation area. He will contact Horton Brasses in Cromwell, CT for the hardware needed. Motion to purchase and pay for new hardware before June 30, 2021 was made by Peter Brazaitis, seconded by Bree Gurin. All in favor.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 15, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Hohensee, Secretary
HHD&HPC

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