

THE HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION

Amended Minutes: The Historic Properties Commission Town of Hamden held a regular meeting on Wednesday, October 19th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parks and Recreation Dept., Hamden Government Center, 2750 Dixwell Avenue. The following issues were discussed:

Attending: D. Baker, W. Doheny, A. Gorman, E. Highkin, D. Ioime

Absent: T. Levine, K. Minkema

Guest: Michael Bellmore, Southern CT State University student

CALL TO ORDER—Vice Chairman Gorman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Commissioner Highkin arriving at 7:12 p.m.

Approval of Minutes – Vice Chairman Gorman motioned to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 18, 2011, June 15, and September 1, 2011. Vice Chairman Gorman noted a correction in the minutes of May 18, 2011. On page one under item ***b*** the word proeduc should be produce. Ms. Highkin motioned to approve the minutes with the correction. ***The motion carried unanimously.*** A motion to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2011 minutes was made by Dr. Doheny with a correction on page one, item ***a*** the word budgeted should be *replacement*, seconded by Ms. Highkin. ***The motion carried unanimously.*** The minutes of September 21 will be on the agenda for November 16, 2011.

PUBLIC HEARING – Not at this time.

PUBLIC SESSION – Nothing at this time.

CHAIR REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE – Vice Chairman Gorman noted that Mr. Baker and Mr. Minkema have been reappointed to the Commission.

Unfinished Business

- a. Memorial Town Hall – Vice Chairman Gorman reviewed the 2008 Certificate of Approval regarding item number 2 and the Commission having final say in the landscaping. A motion was entertained to request the final landscaping plans, seconded Ms. Highkin. Discussion. Vice Chairman Gorman advised the Commission that there is a change to the street parking but that the grass and trees remain as originally designed. It is noted that the steps are very steep and that at a required footage makes a landing necessary. The steps at this time are hard looking but the work is not completed yet. Mr. Baker seconded the motion. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

- b. Lock 14 – any update – Vice Chairman Gorman provided the completed brochure which was produced from a Grant. There is actually a few dollars left over and they will be returned to the agency. Vice Chairman Gorman distributed a number of the brochures around Town Hall.
- c. Hamden Cemeteries – Mr. Ioime reported he has not be able to continue research but will and bring his findings back to the Commission
- d. Ivesville District – Chairman Levine is not present at the meeting with any additional information at this time. Vic Chairman Gorman will meet with Mr. Dan Kopps of Planning and Zoning prior to submitting the application.
- e. Jepps Brook Millsite map update – As discussed at the September meeting the “No Trespassing” signs will be installed but placement is being reviewed at this time. Chairman Levine is working on this.
- f. Meeting Schedule calendar year 2012 – Vice Chairman Gorman motioned to approve the meeting schedule for the calendar year 2012, seconded by Ms. Highkin. ***The motion carried unanimously.*** Vice Chairman Gorman would like to see about holding the Commission meetings at the Lockkeepers house after the winter months, starting in April. The clerk will put this on the March 2012 agenda for discussion.
- g. Other Business
Vice Chairman Gorman will be meeting with the engineer for inspection of the Brooksvale Barn for assessment.
Another grant has been applied for to help produce a guided walking tour brochure. The grant will cover the design and printing of the brochure. Vice Chairman Gorman thanked Florence for all her help with the grant request. The tour would be about a mile, from the Eli Whitney Barn to the Congressional Church in Whitneyville. Vice Chairman Gorman will keep the Commission informed of the status of the Grant application.

New Business – Nothing at this time.

Adjournment – At 7:38 Dr. Doheny motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Highkin. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 16th, 2011 Parks and Recreation Dept. Conference Room, Government Center 2nd floor 7:00 p.m.

Recorded by,

Catherine E. Gempka
Commission Clerk