



# TOWN OF HAMDEN

## ***THE HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION***

**Minutes:** *The Historic Properties Commission Town of Hamden held a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., Third Floor Conference Room, Hamden Government Center, 2750 Dixwell Ave., Hamden CT. The following issues were discussed:*

**Attending:** Daniel Ioime, Peter Haller, Todd Levine, Kenneth Minkema,

**Absent:** Giovanna Coppola (excused), Brian Murphy

**Others present:** Tony Griego – Friends of the State Street Cemetery,  
Sal Filardi, VP Facilities, Quinnipiac University arriving at 7:25 p.m.  
Kate Ramunni from the New Haven Register

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Levine the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

**Approval of Minutes** – Chairman Levine entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 19, 2016. Chairman Levine noted one correction, the meeting took place at the Government Center and not the Lockkeepers house as indicated. Mr. Haller motioned to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 19, 2016 with the correction, seconded by Mr. Ioime. *The motion carried unanimously.*

### **Public Hearing**

None at this time!

### **Public Session**

Mr. Griego noted an article stating North Haven receiving funds from Quinnipiac University and inquired if Hamden has received any funds. In the past Quinnipiac did give the Town funds but nothing has been mentioned for this year.

### **CHAIR REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE**

Chairman Levine reported that he had sent an email to Mr. Filardi but had not had a response. Mr. Filardi did attend, arriving after the meeting started with the discussion noted under Unfinished Business, item *d*.

## COMMITTEE REPORT

Nothing at this time!

### Unfinished Business

- a. Hamden Cemeteries – Mr. Ioime advised the members that the web site is up and running. There is more information to be added. The Friends of the State Street Cemetery had a cleanup last Saturday. Mr. Griego advised the Commission there will be another cleanup this Saturday November 19, 2016. Chairman Levine explained to Ms. Ramunni what the situation is. He explained also that the Commission is trying to find plot owners to reestablish an Association for overseeing the cemetery.
- b. Local Register Properties – Chairman Levine advised the members that the RFP is out and when it closes the Commission can review the top candidates. He will be contacting Mr. Kroop to find out the status. Mr. Ioime advised the Commission that the scanning of the previous survey is completed and that it turn out very good.
- c. Ives House – Chairman Levine is still waiting to hear from the RWA (Regional Water Authority) and will follow up with them again.
- d. Any additional information on proposed demolition of homes by Quinnipiac University – A lengthy discussion ensued with Mr. Filardi advising the Commission that President Lahey and Mayor Leng are in discussions but that this issue is only one in the package being discussed. Three of the six buildings are due to be demolished in December, #'s 3235, 3335, and 3341 Whitney Ave. the other three to go on hold for now.

Mr. Levine asked if Quinnipiac would withdraw the demolition application to not do the three in December. Mr. Filardi stated it is a reasonable request. Mr. Levine asked if the Commission can have a meeting with the university and Mr. Filardi noted that it isn't possible because this is only one issue the Mayor and Mr. Lahey are discussing. The Commission inquired if an inspection can be done and Mr. Filardi stated that there isn't much to salvage. Chairman Levine is hoping to be able to inspect the homes to see if anything can be salvaged. Mr. Filardi did note that one of the structures may have some timbers and beams. Chairman Levine noted the CT Trust works with Mr. Joe DeRisi of Urbanminers who is aware of the status of the homes to see if he can help with saving whatever is possible. Mr. Minkema would like to be present at the evaluation and Chairman Levine noted this should not be a problem.

Mr. Filardi noted that the university has recently acquired 3139 Whitney Ave. which will be torn down and that 3215 has already been demolished.

Mr. Minkema noted the Commission is appreciative of Mr. Filardi's efforts and that if an evaluation of the structures can be done this will define the future path.

Mr. Filardi advised Chairman Levine he will be in contact with him by Tuesday November 22, 2016 with a response on the possible withdrawal of the demolition applications.

**Other Business**

Nothing at this time.

**New Business**

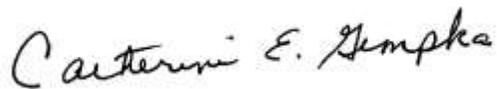
Nothing at this time.

**Adjournment**

At 7:50 p.m. Mr. Ioime motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Haller. *The motion carried unanimously.*

*The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 19, 2016 at the 7:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Government Center, 2750 Dixwell Ave. Hamden CT*

Recorded by,



Catherine E. Gempka  
Commission Clerk