

## East Lyme Historic Properties Commission Minutes

### East Lyme Town Hall Conference Room #1

#### April 5, 2022 Meetings

**Members Present:** Benn Bullock, Mark Christensen, Rod McCauley, Donna Massung, Maggi Prokop, Carol Gordon, Ann Cicchiello; (ex-officio)

**Members Absent:** Rod McCauley

**Guest:** Harvey Beeman (sustainable CT)

**Open Meeting:** Benn Bullock called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Carol Gordon was seated as a voting member.

**Additions to Agenda:** None

**Public Delegations:** None

**Approval of March 1st Minutes:** Mark Christensen made motion to accept the minutes, Maggi Prokop 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The March 1<sup>st</sup> minutes were accepted unanimously.


**Correspondence:** Solicitation from American Association for State and Local History for membership, no interest. They are located in Nashville, TN.

Literature from Pollinator Pathways for an event that had passed.

#### **Old Business:**

- 1) Ann Cicchiello reported on the progress of the ARP Fund approval. They were approved by the BOS, next go to the BOF on April 13<sup>th</sup> and if approved go to a Town Meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup>. The Samuel Smith House was the only Historic Property that applied for funds and were recommended by the ARP Fund subcommittee.
- 2) Benn reported that a new grant application for the structural survey of the Samuel Smith House has to be submitted to the SHPO. The town will submit the new grant application.
- 3) Benn reported preliminary budget request for the FY 22/23 budget was approved by the BOS, will now go before the BOF and if approved will go to a Town Meeting on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

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- 4) HPC "House Plaque Program – Steve Marks-Hamilton, the plaque committee chair is working with Carol Gordon for the publicity and roll out of the program on June 11<sup>th</sup>. The discussion on the plaque offering roll out will be discussed and finalized at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.
- 5) Vacant position on the Commission for one additional Alternate member was discussed. There is no one at present that has shown interest in serving on the Commission.
- 6) Discussion on the sale of the c1700 house on Riverview and how the prospective owner was inquiring about demolition of the house and what control we as a commission had.

**New Business:** Presentation from Harvey Beeman relating to Subnational CT and the information he is trying to get together. This is part of the current certification cycle for East Lyme to be recertified in the program. It is a town initiative and reinforced by the First Selectman.

**Reports:**

**Brookside Farm Museum:** Archeological dig by High School students on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Spring clean-up on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Historic East Lyme Cemetery Assoc.:** No report

**Library/Museum Management:** Benn reported there has not been a current meeting, but will attend when the date is determined. Work in progress in conjunction with the new East Lyme History Museum.

**Samuel Smith Farmstead:** Benn reported that 2 applications had been submitted for ARP Funds for replacement of the house roof and restoration of the house's internal chimney waiting for town's approval. The Farmstead events for 2022 have been scheduled and 3 will focus on the Revolutionary War Aera. The dates are June 11<sup>th</sup>, July 16<sup>th</sup>, August 20<sup>th</sup>, September 10<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>. Open house every Sunday from Memorial Day to Labor Day from 1 to 3 PM.

**Lee House (East Lyme Historical Society):** EL Historical Society will hold it's annual Pot Luck dinner on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Lee House clean-up on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. House tours Wednesday -Sunday 1 to 4 PM. Archeological dig August 13<sup>th</sup>. Flee markets Mat 28<sup>th</sup>, July 2<sup>nd</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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**Adjourn:**

Maggi Prokop made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Mark Christensen, motion passed unanimously. Benn Bullock closed the meeting at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Marks Hamilton (bb)

For ELHPC Secretary/Clerk

**Regular Members:** Benn Bullock, Chair; Steve Marks Hamilton, Secretary/Clerk; Mark Christensen; Rod McCauley; Maggi Prokop; Ann Cicchiello; (ex-officio)

**Alternate Members:** Donna Massung, Carol Gordon; one open alternate position

