

East Lyme Historic Properties Commission Minutes

East Lyme Town Hall Conference Room #1

July 5, 2022 Meetings Minutes

Members Present: Benn Bullock, Mark Christensen, Steve Marks Hamilton, Carol Gordon, Ann Cicchiello (ex-officio)

Members Absent: Rod McCauley, Maggi Prokop, Donna Massung

Guest: None

Open Meeting: Benn Bullock called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Carol Gordon was seated as a voting member for the meeting.

Additions to Agenda: None

Public Delegations: None

Approval of June 7th Meeting Minutes: Mark Christensen made motion to accept the minutes, Carol Gordon 2nd the motion. The June 7th meeting minutes were accepted unanimously.

Correspondence: None

Old Business:

- 1) Benn reported that a new grant application for the structural survey of the Samuel Smith House requested by the SHPO will not be reviewed until their September meeting for approval.
- 2) Benn reported the HPC budget request for the FY 22/23 passed the referendum and was approved by a vote by ballot. The funds will be available on July 1st for the designated projects requested.
- 3) Brookside Farm Museum needs to complete the process of becoming an identified East Lyme Historical Property. Donna Massung agreed, but stated that at the present Brookside is in a transition period with very little volunteers and involvement.

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- 4) HPC "House Plaque Program – Steve Marks-Hamilton, the plaque committee chair said Carol Gordon have put the advertisement in the Niantic Neighbors Magazine. Per Steve there have been 15 plaques ordered to date with \$125 from the proceeds going to each of the historic houses.
- 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.

New Business: Riverview House being worked on/restored.

Reports:

Brookside Farm Museum: No Report

Historic East Lyme Cemetery Assoc.: No Report

Library/Museum Management: Benn reported there has not been a current meeting. – No Report

Samuel Smith Farmstead: The June 11th CT Historic House Day/Vintage Tractor and Truck show had an attendance of over 107 visitors. Open Farm Day on July 16th from 10AM to 3PM. There will be farm animals, Ag Group, Pollinator Project interactive activity. Featuring the 2nd Regiment Light Dragoons, a Revolutionary War Area horseback unit. The Barn is closed due to renovations until they are completed. The approved ARP Funds that were requested for the roof replacement and the chimney restoration has been distributed by the town. Roof replacement to start on Wednesday 7/13. New website has been funded and is under construction.

Lee House (East Lyme Historical Society): CT Historic House Day on June 11th had a big turnout of 60 visitors. Open for house, Barn and School tours Wednesday through Sunday 1PM to 4PM. Archeology dig on August 13th. Looking for volunteers for the East Lyme History Center.

Adjourn:

Mark Christensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Carol Gordon, motion passed unanimously. Benn Bullock closed the meeting at 7:51 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