

Minutes of Historic Properties Commission, Dec. 5, 2023 meeting

Town Hall, Conference Room #1

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Members Present: Carol Gordon, Mark Christensen, Rod Macauley, Steve Marks-2:12
Hamilton(Secretary)

Members Absent: Donna Massung, Maggi Prokop

Carol Marks
TOWN CLERK

Delegation Guest: Bob Ramsay, Niantic, Ct.

-Meeting Opened, Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance by Secretary at 7:10pm

-alternate Carol Gordon appointed as a voting member by Steve

-Rod Macauley made a motion to appoint Mark Christensen as Acting Chairman in Benn Bullock's absence, seconded by Mark Christensen, approved 4-0-0

-Public Delegation: Bob Ramsay expressed his interest in serving as a member of the Historic Properties Commission in the future. He outlined his substantial efforts and interest in the realm of Historic Building Preservation to the Commission. He has lived in Niantic for many years.

-Motion made by Mark Christensen for Approval of Nov. 7, 2023 Minutes, Seconded by Carol Gordon. Motion passed 4-0-0

-Old Business: a) S. Smith House: State of Ct. still reviewing engineering aspect of grant. Looking to OK in Spring b) Recruitment flyer needs update before posting (new Chairman of Hist Properties + President of Friends of Samuel Smith)

-New Business: Discussion and we sent a letter to Steve Garside explaining that no Delay of Demolition was needed for a house on E. Shore Rd., Niantic, owned by Wendy + Joe Johnson as it was constructed in 1945 and thus does not fall under the guidelines for delay of Demolition. Signed by Sec'y Steve Marks-Hamilton

-Carol Gordon made a motion to approve the meeting dates for 2024. Second by Mark Christensen, Motion passed 4-0-0

Reports: a) Brookside Farm-no report b)E.Lyme Historic Cemetery Assoc.-looking for grant/funds after "procedural" issues. c)E. Lyme Historical Society-Lee House open by appointment, they are/will be using "pay-Pal" and looking for donations for "E. Lyme History Collection + Archives", also looking for website master (Mark

C. suggested "Innovast" to help with website. D) Samuel Smith- Christmas pictures at house/barn/with sleigh offered for \$25.00 in late Nov./early Dec. Also, Benn Bullock resigned as President and as a director of Friends of Samuel Smith House and Property. Sandra Bullock also resigned her position. e) ex-officio-Ann Cichiello reports new appointment of Anthony Annastasio to Hist. Properties to replace Benn Bullock, who resigned just after the Nov. 7 meeting. Other members re-appointed Nick M, Donna M, Mark C need to be sworn in before Jan. 9th meeting. Candace Carlson will be the new ex-officio to Historic Properties Comm.

-Mark Christensen reports that there will be a Potluck Party for Preservationists on Jan 6 or 13th at the Niantic Comm. Church. Date to be finalized soon .

-Rod Macauley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mark C., motion passed 4-0-0. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Steve Marks-Hamilton, Secretary (mc)