

TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON
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**GREAT BARRINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes from June 15th 2017**

Town Hall

6:30 pm

Attendees-

Donald Howe, Chair
James Mercer, Vice-Chair
Holly Troiano, Secretary
Barbara Syer, Member
Patricia Ryan, Member
Julie Fagan, Alternate

Not Present- Abby Schroder, Alternate

Attending- Matt Carlino, David Carlino & Son, Inc.

REGULAR MEETING

Meeting opened and called to order by Chair Howe at 6:30 pm.

SITE VISIT

Chair Howe noted that a Site Visit was held before the meeting at 6:00pm to visit the FCC Complex and then the Mahaiwe Block.

OLD BUSINESS NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Exterior Painting at 251 Main Street for First Congregational Church and Manse- Chair Howe noted that Barbara Syer would not be taking part in the Public Hearing. Motion by James Mercer to open the Public Hearing with a second by Patricia Ryan with all in favor. Matt Carlino was presented information for the Application. He noted that the new paint color will be grayish in color with an Oil based primer and final coat of Latex base. Repairs will be done as necessary. A color sample will be submitted to the HDC for our files.

Motion by James Mercer to close the Public Hearing with a second by Patricia Ryan with all voting in favor. James Mercer made a motion to Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness noting the proposal was appropriate and pro-active in preserving the wood trim of the complex. Patricia Ryan seconded the motion. Motion was passed with Chair Howe, James Mercer, Holly Troiano, Patricia Ryan and Julie Fagan voting yes and none opposed.

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Exterior Painting at 322 Main Street for Mahaiwe Block- Chair Howe noted that Barbara Syer would not be taking part in the Public Hearing. Motion by James Mercer to open the Public Hearing with a second by Patricia Ryan with all in favor. Matt Carlino was presented information for the Application. He noted that the new paint color will be light grayish in color with an Oil based primer and final coat of Latex base. Repairs will be done as necessary, but will probably be limited as the Trim and Fascia are cast metal. A color sample will be submitted to the HDC for our files.

Motion by James Mercer to close the Public Hearing with a second by Patricia Ryan with all voting in favor. James Mercer made a motion to Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness noting the proposal was compatible with the surroundings and a great improvement. Holly Troiano seconded the motion. Motion was passed with Chair Howe, James Mercer, Holly Troiano, Patricia Ryan and Julie Fagan voting yes and none opposed.

Sign at 316 Main Street for Rustic Works at the Mahaiwe Block- Motion by Holly Troiano to open the Public Hearing with a second by Patricia Ryan with all in favor. No one was present for the presentation of the Application. James Mercer noted that the Design Advisory had supported the application. Motion by Holly Troiano to close the Public Hearing with a second by James Mercer with all in favor. Chair Howe noted the overall size was large and more appropriate to a going out of business sign. Also, Chair Howe noted that the HDC Commission has previously not approved phone numbers on signs.

James Mercer made a motion to Approve a Certificate of Appropriateness with the present Signage as exists as appropriate. Patricia Ryan seconded the motion. Motion was passed with James Mercer, Holly Troiano, Barbara Syer and Patricia Ryan voting yes and Chair Howe voting no.

Procedures- All present discussed the problem when HDC Property Owners and Tenants are unaware that a Certificate of Appropriateness is necessary. All present agreed for the Vice-Chair to write the Owners and Tenants reminding them of the rules and regulations. Similar letters have been written in the past on a yearly basis. Barbara Syer will give the Vice-Chair a copy of the previous letter.

OTHER BUSINESS NONE

Motion to adjourn by Barbara Syer with a second by Holly Troiano. All present voted in favor. Next HDC Regular Meeting will be a Special Meeting scheduled for July 20th 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donald V. Howe, Chair
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