

TOWN OF WINDSOR LOCKS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Meeting MINUTES: Tuesday, June 21st 2022

1. Regular meeting held. It was called to order @ 6:35PM by Chairman Mickey Danyluk
2. Present were Chet Pohorylo, Bob Pearce, Jim Roche, Mickey Danyluk and Rosemary Rice. Absent were: James Pearce
3. No public input was offered. In terms of correspondence- Chairman Danyluk reviewed that the Commission receives bi-monthly Preservation Connecticut Magazine from the State of Connecticut Historical Commission. There was an Invitation to Comment from EBI Consulting (March 11, 2022) on behalf of DISH Wireless LLC providing telecommunications facility installation at Bradley Airport; this went unreplied and seems not to affect any historical matters.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting of February 15th were accepted with a motion of Robert, second by Chet P; all were in favor.
5. No financial report was readily available Mickey met with Mandi Moore of the Town's accounting department. He was provided with a printout of the remaining account balances for Secretary fees, Postage and Anniversary funds; the Commission is well within the black. Chairman did not have the printout to present to this evening's meeting. He urged Sec'y Rice to apply for (2) secretary payments soon as the fiscal year is ending June 30th.
6. Old Business, no histories being written and no anniversaries to honor, no further acquisitions pursued at this time. There was no report on current Heritage Week activity in the schools. We are awaiting the Board of Finance to approve TIF funding for the moving of the Anchor Rock, Grist Mill Stones and 1921 Bridge Sign from Noden-Reed to the green at the entrance of Canal Park. Jim Roche reported that the funds were insufficient to re-roof the brick barn because the moneys were used up on foundational brickwork there. Jim Roche will follow up with Public Works and Cross Key to see these projects through.
7. New Business, In terms of New Business: The Commission is seeking a followup report on Heritage Week from the schools; Bill Fournier had expressed interest in this followup. Jim reported that the Crown Tavern sign was moved to the shed at Noden-Reed. Mickey reported that a priority is to complete the Commission's Inventory Book in the town clerk's office of items the Commission has officially acquired.
8. Train Station: With regards to the historic train station, Mickey reported that the grant moneys ran short of restoring all of the exterior woodwork at the station-- with only the North end fretwork and street-side braces rebuilt, scraped, primed and cream-color painted. The south end fretwork and track-side roof bracing await reconstruction and restoration." First Selectman Harrington spoke to Mickey about an upcoming Board of Finance Meeting to approve funding to clean the basement of hazardous materials as the Commission requested and the cost rises substantially yearly.
9. No General Public Input. Jim Roche expressed a need for archival space for Commission owned items incl back issues of The Windsor Locks Journal currently stored at the Senior Center. The Historical Society wants to schedule another Road Show appraisal program; all agreed that moving Oktoberfest from Noden-Reed has diminished interest in the Park and historical interests.
10. With Agenda items addressed, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm with a motion of Jim Roche and second of Robert Pearce, all agreed.

Next Meeting of the Commission; Tuesday November 8th 2022, 6:30PM Reed House Parlor. Commission regularly meets 3rd Tuesdays of February, April, June, November

submitted by:

Rosemary Rice

Rosemary Rice, commission recording secretary

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