

MINUTES  
TOWN OF GROTON  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
MARCH 4, 2014 - 7:00 P.M.  
GROTON TOWN HALL ANNEX - COMMUNITY ROOM 2

Members Present: Moriarty, Brady, Somers, Everett, Kimenker  
Alternates Present: Levenson, Brewer  
Absent:  
Staff: Quinn, Galetta

Chairperson Moriarty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: To waive the reading of the hearing procedure.

Motion made by Kimenker seconded by Brady, so voted unanimously.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

HDC 14-03 – 74 High Street; Mystic River Historical Society, owner; Louis Allyn, applicant; Trim replacement. PIN #261918303376 E

Staff noted that the applicant has withdrawn the application as they have decided to replace the trim like for like.

The public hearing portion of the meeting was closed at 7:01 p.m.

II. DISCUSSION ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC HEARING

HDC 14-03 – 74 High Street

The application is withdrawn. No action required.

III. PRE-APPLICATION HEARINGS

Larry Potter, owner of 137 Noank Road, appeared before the Commission to propose adding a wooden deck off the back of his house. There will also be an extension on the side for an outdoor shower. The deck will be approximately 16' x 17.5' x 1' without railings. The decking material will be ipe and pressure treated wood will be used for the framing. The shower enclosure will be approximately 4' x 4' with no roof.

Norton Wheeler, of Mystic River Building Company, appeared before the Commission for Donna Zyry who is the owner of 154 Clift Street. The house, which was built around 1877, currently has aluminum siding on the front of the house with cedar shingles on the sides. The original front siding was cedar clapboard. The proposal is remove the aluminum siding on front but keep the side shingles. The front will be resided with HardiePlank cement clapboard. The side shingles will be painted to match the front siding. Some damage caused by clogged gutters will also be repaired. The applicant would also like to replace the front door but keep same look. The new door will be a 4-paneled door with 4 horizontal lites on top. Additionally, the door pediment head, which is not historically accurate, will be replaced to match the window head trim on the front elevation. The windows will remain the same with minor repairs made as needed. The brackets will be replaced and replicated just as they are.

IV. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - None

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF February 18, 2014

MOTION: To approve the minutes of February 18, 2014.

Motion made by Brady, seconded by Moriarty, 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Kimenker). Motion carried.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers

MOTION: To re-elect Sarah Moriarty as Chairperson and re-elect Mark Somers as Vice Chairperson of the Historic District Commission.

Motion made by Kimenker, seconded by Moriarty, so voted unanimously.

MOTION: To elect Todd Brady as Secretary of the Historic District Commission.

Motion made by Moriarty, seconded by Kimenker, so voted unanimously.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Staff noted that Michael Murphy, Director of Planning and Development has announced his retirement. His last day with the Town is March 21, 2014.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:22, made by Kimenker, seconded by Moriarty, so voted unanimously.

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Todd Brady, Secretary  
Historic District Commission

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