

MINUTES  
TOWN OF GROTON  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
JANUARY 6, 2009 - 7:00 P.M.  
GROTON TOWN HALL ANNEX - COMMUNITY ROOM 2

Members Present: Nado, Vaughn, Seager, Cole  
Alternates Present: None  
Staff: Quinn, Galetta

Chairman Nado called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Cole read the Call of the Hearing.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

HDC 08-57 – 3 Thomas Street; Alexandros Makriyannis and Carolyn Clayton, owners; Peter Springsteel, applicant; Exterior renovations. PIN #261805189780

Applicant was not present at the hearing.

HDC 08-59 – 21 Bank Street; Anna T. Troiano, owner/applicant; Replace shingles. PIN #261918314563

Anna Troiano, owner of 21 Bank Street, presented to the Commission to propose the replacement of roof shingles. She plans to strip off and replace the existing 3-tab, asphalt shingles with architectural shingles colored Oxford grey.

The following exhibits were presented:

- Photographs
- Brochure

Chairman Nado closed the public hearings at 7:15 p.m.

II. PRE-APPLICATION HEARINGS

Dominic Zeppieri, of Zeppieri Home Improvement, appeared before the Commission for Lisa Rawding the owner of 15 New London Road. He is proposing the addition of a second floor and an extension to an existing addition that was done in 1982. The owner would also like to change the façade to match the front of the house. They will remove the remainder of the aluminum siding and replace it with cedar to match the front of the house. Windows in the addition will also be replaced and two will be added.

Chairman Nado called for a short recess at 7:24 p.m. in order to allow members and staff to attend the Town Council Meeting with Dick Seager who is resigning from the Commission as of tonight. The Mayor presented Dick with a plaque for his years of dedicated service.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Chairman Nado reopened the public hearings at 7:34 p.m.

HDC 08-58 – 17 Pearl Street; Anthony and Susan Dinoto, owners; David Smith, applicant; Replacement windows. PIN #261918319517

David Smith and his partner Ken, from Dependable Contracting Services, presented to the Commission for Anthony and Susan Dinoto owners of 17 Pearl Street. The second and third floor windows of the Dinoto Funeral Home are in disrepair and painted shut. The owners are not in favor of repairing or rebuilding the existing windows and would like to replace them. They propose using a two over two Harvey window. The outside trim on the building will not be involved. The Commission had concerns about the replacement of windows that are original to a building and felt more information was required in order to make a decision. Staff suggested that windows in the rear of the building, which are not visible from the Historic District, be replaced with the Harvey window model. Then pictures of the replacement window could be used for a presentation to the Commission. The Commission also requested an architectural drawing with dimensions and proportions for the replacement windows.

Chairman Nado closed the public hearings at 8:09 p.m.

#### IV. DISCUSSION ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC HEARING

HDC 08-57 – 3 Thomas Street

MOTION: To continue to the next regularly scheduled public hearing.

Motion made by Seager, seconded by Vaughn, so voted unanimously.

HDC 08-58 – 17 Pearl Street

MOTION: To continue to the next regularly scheduled public hearing.

Motion made by Vaughn, seconded by Cole, so voted unanimously.

HDC 08-59 – 21 Bank Street

MOTION: To grant a Certificate of Appropriateness as submitted.

Motion made by Cole, seconded by Vaughn, so voted unanimously. Issued Certificate of Appropriateness #1682

#### V. CORRESPONDENCE – None

#### VI. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF December 16, 2008

MOTION: To approve the minutes of December 16, 2008

Motion made by Vaughn, seconded by Seager, so voted unanimously.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS

Commission requested a status report on the Return of Record in the matter of Desmarais vs. Historic District Commission. Staff stated that the Judge has it and we are currently awaiting his decision.

The Commission also requested a status report on the matter of skylights for the property located at 39 Pearl Street. Staff stated that Attorney Collier, who represents the owner, is planning to attend the next regularly scheduled meeting.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Election of Officers

MOTION: To re-elect Charles Nado as Chairman of the Historic District Commission.

Motion made by Vaughn, seconded by Cole, (3 in favor, 1 abstention). Motion passed.

MOTION: To re-elect Kristin Vaughn as Vice-Chairman of the Historic District Commission.

Motion made by Seager, seconded by Cole, (3 in favor, 1 abstention). Motion passed.

MOTION: To re-elect Elaine Cole as Secretary of the Historic District Commission.

Motion made by Vaughn, seconded by Seager, (3 in favor, 1 abstention). Motion passed.

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. made by Vaughn, seconded by Cole, so voted unanimously.

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Elaine Cole, Secretary  
Historic District Commission

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