Historic District Commission Public Hearing Minutes – June 5, 2023

Time: 7:35PM – 8:25PM

Members Present: Ben Franklin, Ingrid Strong, Sylvia Belkin, Richard Smith

Members Absent: Andrew Steingiser, Jer Jurma

Staff Present: Marissa Meaney (Land Use Coordinator)

Location: VIRTUAL via Microsoft Teams

Received by Town Clerk

February 7, 2024, 11:12am

Agenda:

CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

a. 23HDC-15 (90 Walker Rd) – by Eli Cleveland. Request to install electrical wires and conduits in conjunction with installation of solar panels.

Mr. Cleveland was present before the Commission. Explained that the conduit is to be run between the gutter and existing conduit on the right side of the house, and the electrical box will be concealed by bushes.

The Commission agreed that approval can be granted on application as submitted, or with conduit being run through soffit to minimize impact, and painted to match color of house.

MOTION: I. Strong to approve application. R. Smith seconds; unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion: 73 Monument Ave with Jim Dennis – Mr. Dennis was present before the Commission to speak to the ongoing work at his property, which was being conducted without prior authorization from the Commission. He provided the Commission with a timeline of when the work started, and what the intent is. Richard Smith explained the history of the windows that were in the carriage house, which Mr. Dennis might be looking to replace. Commission explained that an application for a COA would have to be filed and approved by the Commission for any work on the windows. Mr. Dennis also has a handicapped ramp that he will look to extend use of through application for a COA.

Temporary permit at Andrew's Chapel – Commission would like update from DPW for any permanent solution. Marissa will reach out to Gino and the Andrew's Chapel committee.

Member appointments – Andrew Steingiser is open to continuing his membership but would be open to having Commission consider other applicants given that he struggles to attend meetings.

Minutes – MOTION: R. Smith to approve 5/1/23 minutes. S. Belkin seconds; unanimously approved.