

GRANBY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: October 6, 2016

Location: Carnegie Building, 1 Library Lane, Upper Level

Members Present: Robert Camus, Chair
Lori Meister, Vice Chair
Dave Carmen, Member
Steve Nally, Member
Kathleen Morris, Member
William Johnson, Alternate
Lillian Camus, Secretary

Absent: Lisa Petraglia, Alternate

Also in attendance: Terry Lajoie, Granby Historical Commission
Cindy Gaspari, Granby Historical Commission
Meg Lacasse, Granby Historical Commission

Robert Camus called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Approval of August 4 and 18, 2016 Minutes

Approval of the August 4 and 18, 2016 minutes were postponed to the next meeting.

Approval of September 8, 2016 Minutes

Robert Camus asked if there were any changes to the September 8, 2016 minutes. No changes were made to the minutes.

Motion was made by Lori Meister and seconded by Bob Camus to approve the September 8, 2016 minutes. The September 8, 2016 minutes were approved 2 in favor, 0 opposed, 3 abstained.

Granby Master Plan Open Forum

The Commissions discussed the open forum announcement. Several members indicated they would be attending the Forum.

Public Hearing for Sign at Consignment Building

Robert Camus read the Public Hearing Notice at 7:45 p.m. on October 17, 2016 regarding a request for a Special Permit for a ground sign at the Vintage Barn. Bob Camus, Lori Meister and Kathleen Morris indicated they would attend the meeting.

Letter from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Robert Camus read a letter from the Massachusetts Historical Commission announcing the beginning of their Fiscal Year 2017 Survey and Planning Grant cycle. The letter noted the available funding is “contingent on MHC’s FY17 federal budget allocation, which has not yet been determined. For FY 2017 the MHC/Grantee match shares are 50/50.” The deadline for any applications is November 14, 2016.

The Commission discussed potential uses for a grant and in the end decided to add this topic to the next meeting for voting.

Aldrich Hall and Selectboard Request for Certificate of Appropriateness

The Commission discussed the September 30, 2016 letter from Chris Martin on behalf of the Selectboard asking for a favorable vote regarding demolition of Aldrich Hall.

The Commission discussed the letter with members voicing their opinions on whether or not to approve the request.

Motion was made by Steve Nally and seconded by Kathleen Morris to grant the application for the Certificate of Hardship for Aldrich Hall. The motion did not pass with a vote of 2 in favor, 3 opposed, 0 abstained.

Any other business to come before the Committee

None

Next Meeting Date

Thursday, November 3, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Level at the Carnegie Building.

Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn by Steve Nally and seconded by Kathleen Morris. Approved unanimously and adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian Camus
Recording Secretary