

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

Regular Meeting

Thursday, January 26, 2017

6:30 PM

Town Hall Meeting Room

Minutes

1. Call to order – Chairman Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call/Seating of Alternates – Roll call was taken. Present were Commissioners Charles Roberts, Demian Battit, Patrick Walsh, Regina Starolis, Christopher Dart and Alternates Melissa Briere and Hanna Monahan. Because there were 5 Regular members present, Chairman Roberts did not seat the Alternates but thanked them for their attendance and invited them to stay for the meeting.
3. Public Remarks – Items not on Agenda – None.
4. Public Hearing
 - a. Application #510 for a COA at 32 Middle Haddam Road to install 2 replacement windows and patio door for applicant Patricia Harmon. Ms. Harmon presented to the board. She stated that because of the rotting of the wood frame, she would like to replace the rear patio door and replace the 2 upstairs windows over the garage to match the other previously approved windows (divided light and white casing windows). She provided photos of the existing and proposed windows and patio door. Sam Childs from Renewal by Anderson provided a brief description of the proposed windows. Commissioner Battit made a motion to accept Application #510 for a COA at 32 Middle Haddam Rd. to install 2 replacement windows and patio door for applicant Patricia Harmon. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dart. **Vote: 5-Yes; 0-No. Motion passed.**
 - b. Application #511 for a COA at 41 Middle Haddam Road to build a barn/garage toward the back of the property for applicants William and Susan McCann. Mr. McCann provided the members with a plan of the proposed structure. He explained that it will be composed of post beam and shiplap with battens and that the roof will match the house. The structure will be partially seen from the road and the driveway will be extended 6' to increase the area so larger vehicles can turn around easily. He added that they applied for a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals and will present this project to them in February.

Commissioner Walsh made a motion to accept Application #511 for a COA as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Starolis. **Vote: 5-Yes; 0-No. Motion passed.**

5. Approval of minutes & motions
 - c. December 22, 2016 – The approval was tabled until the next meeting (not all the members who were at the December meeting were present this evening to vote).
 - d. October 27, 2016 - The approval of the October minutes was tabled to the next meeting due to the need for further clarification of the house number listed under “Unfinished Business.”
6. Correspondence
 - e. Other – Chairman Roberts submitted 2 letters from the Town Manager for the reappointment of Chairman Roberts and Alternate Melissa Briere. The letters will be filed with the minutes.
7. Reports and Expenditures
 - f. Other – None
8. New Business –
 - g. Chairman Roberts stated that there will be an election of officers at the next meeting.
9. Unfinished Business –
 - h. Other – Chairman Roberts stated that he will contact the East Hampton Planning and Zoning Official regarding the temporary shed on Middle Haddam Rd. and he will ask him to send a letter to the owners. He went on to add that he has not heard from anyone on Fern Lane or from Cobalt Lodge and that the Town of East Hampton has not responded to his request for a legal opinion regarding Fern Lane.
10. Public Remarks – None.
11. Adjournment – Commissioner Dart made a motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. The motion seconded by Commissioner Battit and was unanimous in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Castonguay
Recording Secretary