

Middle Haddam Historic District Commission

Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 27, 2019

6:30 PM

Town Hall Meeting Room

MINUTES

Present: Regina Starolis, Charles Roberts, Patrick Walsh, Christopher Dart, and Kara Pedersen.

Absent: Alternate Member Melissa Briere.

Call to Order: Presiding Chairman, Charles Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call/ Seating of Alternates: Roll call was taken. Present was Chairman Charles Roberts, Commissioners Regina Starolis, Kara Pedersen, Christopher Dart, and Patrick Walsh.

Public Comment- Items not on the Agenda: Doug Mackeown of Keighley Pond Road- Mr. Mackeown asked the members whether there are any policies or restrictions concerning solar panels being installed on historic district houses. He asked whether the members had any jurisdiction for solar panels pertaining to any historic building.

Public Hearing:

- a) Application 535 for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 63 Keighley Pond Road to demolish barn due to its deterioration and hazardous condition—for applicant Tiffany Robinson. Mrs. Robinson was present to answer any questions the commissioners had. The barn is deteriorating and falling apart. The owners can't obtain homeowner's insurance because of the hazard of the barn. The family is getting the house ready to be put on the market and want to deal with the barn before listing the house. Mrs. Robinson stated they contracted someone to clear out the inside of the barn first before they tear it down. If there are any foundation problems, the owners will address them to meet code.
A motion was made by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Dart, to approve of Application 535 for a Certificate of Appropriateness at 63 Keighley Pond Road for applicant Tiffany Robinson. Voted 5-0 in favor.

Approvals:

- b) **Approval of Minutes and Motions September 26, 2019:** This has been tabled for the next meeting.
- c) **Approval of Minutes and Motions October 24, 2019:** *A motion was made by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Ms. Pedersen, to approve of the October 24, 2019 regular meeting minutes. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

Correspondence: None

Reports:

d) **Expenditures:** None

e) **Other:** None

New Business:

f) **Approval of Officers for 2020:** *A motion was made by Ms. Pedersen, seconded by Mr. Walsh, to nominate Mr. Roberts as Chairman, Ms. Starolis as Clerk, and Mr. Walsh as Vice Chairman. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

Unfinished Business: The members discussed doing a follow up on the house built on High Point Road. The building of the house was approved in December 27, 2017.

Public Remarks: None

Adjournment: *A motion was made by Ms. Pedersen, seconded by Ms. Starolis, to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 PM. Voted 5-0 in favor.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Aligata

Recording Clerk