

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
WASHINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Calhoun-Ives, Sunny Ridge and Washington Green Historic Districts

Minutes – February 26, 2024

via teleconference

Members Present: Mr. Hollinger, Ms. Woodroffe,
Members Absent: Ms. Boyer, Ms. Allen,
Alternates Present: Mr. Rimsky, Mr. Ferreira
Alternates Absent: Mr. Fairbairn
Staff: Ms. Tingley

Public Hearing

No public Hearing

Regular Meeting

Call to Order

Chair Hollinger called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and seated himself, Ms. Woodroffe, Mr. Ferreira (for Ms. Boyer), and Mr. Rimsky (for Ms. Averill)

Consideration of Minutes - January 22, 2024 Meeting

Motion: To accept the minutes for the January 22, 2024 meeting as written. Motion put forth by Ms. Woodroffe seconded by Mr. Rimsky. Passed unanimously.

New/Other Business

Historic District Signage

Upon discussion the commission agreed on the signage for the Historic District. The commission approved the design of mock-up B1 minus the text “National Register of Historic Places” and minus the profile of George Washington. The sign will be navy with gold and simply state the name of the town as well as the name of the historic district. Mr. Ferreira will send a final draft of the sign with the changes to the commission members for approval. Mr. Hollinger will then forward the approved mock-up to Mr. Brinton.

Expansion of Historic District

The commission continued their discussion of possibly expanding the Historic District to include parts of Old North Road and New Preston Hill. Chair Hollinger mentioned that it is a complicated and lengthy

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process that would require a great deal of research and suggested that if the commission is passionate about pursuing the expansion, then they should consider forming a subcommittee to carry this project forward. B. Ferreira offered to share an excel sheet he created showing the homes on Old North Road including the date they were built with the commission at the next meeting. He will also update the spreadsheet to include Lower church and Nettleton Hollow.

Resurveying Historic District

Chair Hollinger spoke to First Selectman J. Brinton regarding the possibility of resurveying the historic district. The commission feels it is important to have new maps made so that they can have an idea as to what boundaries/properties would look like on a decent fold out map. Mr. Hollinger acknowledged that due to the budget this will have to be an ongoing conversation with the selectmen but feels the commission should be persistent in pursuing the resurvey.

COA Extension

The commission accepted the COA extension for 157 Calhoun Street. Chair Hollinger asked the clerk to notify the Senior Project Manager, Jim Mc Tighe informing him that the COA was extended for one year with the understanding that the building will be completed with a board and batten siding.

Motion: To approve the extension of the Certificate of Appropriateness for 157 Calhoun Street for one year with the understanding that the exterior of the accessory building will be board and batten as approved in the original application. Motion put forth by Mr. Hollinger, seconded by Ms. Woodroffe. Passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm by Chair Hollinger, seconded by Mr. Rimsky. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Tingley

Town of Washington

Land Use Clerk

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*Meeting Minutes Subject to approval

A link to access a recording of this meeting: [video1904277336.mp4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=video1904277336)