

Milford Historic District No. 2, South of the Green
Minutes of Regular Meeting and Public Hearing - Conference Room C, Parsons Government
Center (unapproved)
JANUARY 11, 2012

Vice Chair Paulson called the public hearing of the Milford Historic District No. 2, South of the Green to order at 6:30 p.m.

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Not Present/Excused</u>	<u>Also Present</u>
Arthur Paulson	Carol Molloy Smith	Marie & Thomas Reshenk
Gary Becker	Arthur Stowe	
Marge Jones	Marcia Winter	
Walter Ortoleva (6:32 p.m.)		

It was noted there was a quorum present to conduct business.

Public Hearing

Application for Certificate of Appropriateness – Marie & Tomas Reshenk

Mr. and Mrs. Reshenk, owners of the home at 32-34 Center Street, were present and distributed copies of Certificate of Mailing as required. Mr. Reshenk explained the reason they had returned this month was to present an amended application noting their focus on the upper windows to be replaced to match what is on the first floor. He added the upper windows were changed some years ago and this plan is to restore them to their original design.

Being no further comments or questions, Vice Chair Paulson thanked Mr. & Mrs. Reshenk for their presentation and the public hearing closed at 6:35 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Milford Historic District No. 2, South of the Green was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Mr. Becker and Mrs. Jones made and seconded a motion to reorder the agenda to bring Consideration of the Certificate of Appropriateness to this point in the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Consideration of Application for Certificate of Appropriateness

Mr. Becker and Mrs. Jones made and seconded a motion to approve the Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for 32-34 Center Street (amended application for windows). Motion carried unanimously.

Election of Officers

Mr. Paulson explained that the incumbent officers have all expressed an interest to continue serving as they have but also have stated they would relinquish their role of officer if there was another member who had expressed interest in being an officer.

Being no change recommended, Mr. Becker and Mr. Ortoleva made and seconded a motion to approve the following slate of officers for 2012:

Chair – Carol Molloy Smith
Vice Chair – Arthur Paulson
Clerk – Gary Becker
Treasurer – Walter Ortoleva

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 11, 2011 and December 14, 2011 meeting will remain on the table until the next regular meeting.

Chair's Report (including correspondence) – no report

Clerk/Treasurer's Report – Mr. Ortoleva stated that as of 1/11/12 the balance is \$1,200 with outstanding bills for newspaper ads pending.

Unfinished Business

A. Tree Commission Report – Mrs. Jones shared her conversation with Mrs. Orecchio, Vice Chair of the Milford Tree Commission adding her advice and guidance was very helpful. Mrs. Jones explained the Tree Commission had been busy due to all the downed trees with the two big storms earlier this year. Mrs. Orecchio recommended a walk-through of the District to determine where trees may be planted on private property, adding the Tree Commission is now planting on the private grass area not on the strip between the sidewalk and street. It was also noted this would be pro-active work on the part of the District members. Mrs. Orecchio offered to attend a future District meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding how this body could communicate with the residents in the District and inquire about their interest in trees planted on their property. It was decided this discussion will continue at the next regular meeting and proceed with inviting Tree Commission leadership to a future meeting of this body.

New Business:

Mr. Paulson suggested this body meet again in February to discuss what to do about people who have followed guidelines regarding construction and changes but have not pursued building permits, specifically with regard to fences.

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Jones and Mr. Becker made and seconded a motion to adjourn the Commission Meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Candido
Recording Secretary