

Milford Historic District No. 2, South of the Green
Minutes of Public Hearing/Regular Meeting – Board of Education Learning Center, Parsons
Government Center –June 12, 2019

Vice Chair Gary Becker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Gary Becker, Elizabeth Kennard, and Arthur Stowe. Chairwoman Carol Molloy Smith present via phone.

Excused: Walter Ortoleva, Christopher Bishop, Marika Mosley

The regular meeting stood in recess at 6:33 pm and the public hearing was called to order at 6:33 pm

Public Hearing to consider Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 9 Center Street; property owned by Robert Wilcox, Jr. to enclose existing screened porch with windows.

Mr. Wilcox thanked members for the opportunity to review his application and extended thanks to Ms. Smith for her assistance in preparing for the meeting.

He explained his intention to enhance the front porch in order to make it a three season room and he would be maintaining the existing footprint in doing so. He stated screens would be converted to glass (slider) windows and will be the same exact size as the screens adding they will be custom built. Further he noted the front door would be replaced with a solid glass door with side panels and he referred to a similar door pattern at 39 High Street.

Chair Smith asked if there will be a peak over the door and she was told the roof line will remain the same as it is now.

Chair Smith stated she was pleased with the information provided and the plan for the porch.

Being no further questions or comments, the public hearing portion of the meeting closed at 6:41 p.m.

Vice Chairman Becker reconvened the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Consideration of Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 9 Center Street, property owned by Robert Wilcox, Jr. to enclose existing screen porch with windows.

Ms. Kennard and Mr. Stowe made and seconded a motion to approve the Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for property located at 9 Center Street, property owned by Robert Wilcox, Jr. to enclose existing screen porch with sliding windows, not changing the existing design of the porch and to replace the door with full glass door similar to the door at 39 High Street. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of May 9, 2019 Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Stowe and seconded by Ms. Kennard to approve the minutes of 5/9/19 as presented.

Chair Smith noted that Mr. Ortoleva requested that the minutes reflect he was present at the May 9, 2019 meeting but arrived late at 6:42 p.m.

Motion carried to approve the minutes as presented with the addition requested by Mr. Ortoleva.

President's Report including Correspondence

Vinyl siding is permitted in So. Of the Green Historic District #2 – discussion ensued regarding the question of vinyl siding within the district and it was clarified that vinyl siding is permitted.

Mr. Becker stated he will draft appropriate statement regarding vinyl siding which can be added to our website. .

Clerk/Treasurer's Report – no report

Unfinished Business

A. Update on tape recording regular meetings of the Commission – this matter will remain on the agenda for further discussion as suggested by Ms. Kennard.

B. Procedure for submitting names to the Mayor for Commission Appointment – Chair Smith clarified the procedure that recommended names for appointment to the commission be forwarded to the Chair and she would then make such recommendation(s) available to the members allowing for individual comment noting this would definitely be an internal procedure only. Once the proposals for members have been reviewed, the Chair would then submit recommendation to the Mayor.

New Business

A. Increase COA fee – discussion ensued regarding the need to increase the COA fee based on the increased cost of posting in the newspaper. It was noted the current COA fee is \$75 and most of the newspaper ads are \$100 plus. It was decided this matter will remain on the table for further discussion when Mr. Ortoleva, Treasurer is in attendance.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Stowe and Ms. Kennard moved to adjourn at 6:55 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Recorded by Diane Candido