

**MILFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT NO. 2 - SOUTH OF THE GREEN
UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2009
CONFERENCE ROOM B, CITY HALL**

Chair Smith called the special meeting of the Milford Historic District No. 2, South of the Green to order at 4:00 pm.

Members Present

Kevin DeMarco, Marjorie Jones, Carol Molloy Smith

Revised Application for Certificate of Appropriateness by Arthur Paulson and Carolyn Greer, 10 Pond Street, for proposed construction of a deck

Chair Smith stated the order of business for the special meeting was to address the request in the September 29 letter from Arthur Paulson and Carolyn Greer to amend the Certificate of Appropriateness for their back deck.

Mr. Paulson explained that after meeting with the Building Department, their contractor informed them that they needed to change the height of the deck. On the original Certificate of Appropriateness the height of the deck was stated as 23" and the height of the rail as 56". This would have the deck at the same height as the door. In order to accommodate the door their contractor instructed that the deck needs to be slightly lower at 19". As there was a specific height on the plans submitted for approved on the original Certificate of Appropriateness, the change in height on the revised plans needs to be approved. Mr. Paulson expressed concern that if they had gone ahead with the revised plans without approval the deck might have been torn down.

Mr. DeMarco asked why, if the deck was lower by 4", the height of the rail was not also lower by 4". Ms. Greer explained that the height of the rail will accommodate the natural slope of the backyard.

Mr. DeMarco also asked if there is a code for the height of the rail. Mr. Paulson stated that he was not aware of one.

It was noted that the height was not a problem for the commission.

Mr. DeMarco motioned to accept Arthur Paulson and Carolyn Greer's Application for Certificate of Appropriateness with revised deck height of 19". The motion was carried unanimously after a second by Mrs. Jones.

Chair Smith noted that the commission could not entertain any other motions.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Jones