HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 16, 2022

The Milford Historic Preservation Commission held a Special Meeting on Monday, November 16, 2022, in City Hall. Chairman Silver called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

**Committee Members Present**

B. Silver, Chairman

M. Kramer

J. Kranz

E. Johnson

C. Colter

A. Mower (Alternate)

**Excused**: K. Muller

Consideration of the Minutes of September 26, 2022

Commissioners’ Johnson and Colter made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2022, special meeting, with the following change: In the motion change the word “cairns” to read ***monopoles***.

Motion carried unanimously as amended.

**Old Business**

a. Review of UI Transmission Line CT Siting Council Hearings/Status – Vice Chairwoman Kramer reported she had no update. She states she reached out to Attorney Sara Sharpe but did not respond. Vice Chairwoman Kramer stated she would reach out to the City Attorney, Jonathan Berchem.

 b. Commission’s outreach efforts and general readiness

i. Review of Early Outreach program/ideas and 2022/2023 aldermanic allotment.

Chairman Silver explained the Commission has monies in the budget to use for outreach.

Vice Chairwoman Kramer stated she has been looking into other towns/cities to see what they do for outreach.

Chairman Silver reported he reached to Adam Heller, IT – City of Milford to discuss utilizing the city’s website. The Commission reviewed the documents for the website, created by Commissioner Johnson. A lengthy discussion ensued concerning outreach, social media, website and historical marker plaque. Discussion also included potential historic sites to feature on the website and/or social media. Some of the sites included, but were not limited to 15 West Main Street, 55 Governors Avenue, Downs House, Washington Bridge, Saint Peters Church, Laurel Beach Casino, 330 Gulf Street, 104 West River Street, 60 North Street (Buckingham House), 111 North Street (Sanford Bristol), Mary Hepburn Smith House, 58 Prospect, West Main Street (Carrington House). Discussion also includes what questions/topics for the article regarding the historic site.

**New Business**

 a. Budget request for 2023-2024 - Chairman Silver reported he submitted the Commission’s budget for 2023-2024 requesting the same amount.

 b. North Broad Street Cremation Office Restoration – Chairman Silver noted it appears the building is being restored.

Commissioner Kranz explained some of the work done to the building to preserve it to its original.

 c. Norwalk Historic Property Demolition/our safeguards? Chairman Silver stated he had no further updates since the first reporting of the demolition

Commissioner Kranz stated demolished building was the oldest house in Norwalk that included underground tunnels, etc. A brief discussion ensued.

**Consideration of Payment Requisitions**

None.

**Adjournment.**

Being no further business to discuss, Commissioners’ Kranz and Colter made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

 Respectfully submitted,

 Kathleen A. Kennedy Recording Secretary