HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2023

The Milford Historic Preservation Commission held a Regular Meeting on Monday, October 16, 2023, in Conference Room A, Parsons Government Center, 70 West River Street. Chairman Silver called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

B. Silver, Chairman

M. Kramer

J. Kranz (Remotely)

E. Johnson

A. Mower (Alternate) (Remotely)

K. Muller (Alternate)

Excused:

Due to a vacancy in the Committee Chairman Silver appointed A. Mower as a voting member this evening.

Consideration of the Minutes of May 5, 2023

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Kranz made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2023, special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

a. Review of UI Transmission Line CT Siting Council Hearings/Status -

Chairman Silver stated there is no new information regarding the transmission lines. He commented on actions taken in Fairfield. Ms. Kramer stated she received a phone call concerning the Fairfield litigation. She stated she provided Milford's timeline and various proposals to UI. Ms. Kramer stated she has called the City attorney to discuss joining Fairfield as an intervenor. Chairman Silver stated the Commission will continue to monitor.

Mr. Kranz and Mr. Johnson made a motion to amend the agenda to add the status of 67 Prospect street. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Silver reported he reached out to the City Attorney who in turn reached out to the owner's attorney, Thomas Lynch, concerning the current status of the property. He stated he has requested permission to walk through the house and is waiting for a response. Ms. Kramer stated neighbors reached out to her concerning recent activity at the property. Mr. Kranz stated Chairman Silver discussed the stipulated judgment. Ms. Kramer stated zoning approvals were received and the cemetery was holding up moving forward.

b. Commission's outreach efforts and general readiness

i. First Step: Outreach program/ideas, status of Featured Property webpage

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New Business

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Consideration of Payment Requisitions

None.

Adjournment.

Being no further business to discuss, Commissioners Mr. Kranz and Ms. Muller made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

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