

NORWICH HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the Thursday, January 27, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Meeting

Meeting was via the Town's Zoom link.

Commissioners Present: Deb Brien, Linda Cook, Jess Phelps, Phil Zea and Nancy Osgood, chair

Commissioners Absent: Anne Silberfarb and Maggie Boone

Also present:

- Sarah Rooker, Director, Norwich Historical Society

NORWICH HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AGENDA

1. Approve Agenda

Deb Brien moved to approve the agenda and Jess Phelps seconded. The agenda was approved unanimously (4-0).

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Review and approval of the minutes of the December 9, 2021, meeting

Jess Phelps moved to approve the minutes as drafted; Nancy Osgood seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes passed (4-0).

Linda Cook joined after this approval (9:20).

4. NHPC Website Updates

The Commission reviewed the revised/updated website.

Jess Phelps will take the lead on providing an updated list of resources for homeowners looking to care for their historic houses.

Deb Brien will provide a list of individuals qualified and happy to discuss preservation/restoration projects with historic property owners. This list will appear on our website.

5. Planning for March NHPC Programs

The Commission discussed the upcoming programs and discussed what the March 17th presentation will cover.

Nancy will provide feedback to Lyssa Papazian in advance of the presentation (and the intent that the presentation cover why historic barns are important as well as surveying the overall work/results of the Norwich Barn Survey).

Phil Zea is taking the lead on the March 31st panel discussion (on barn maintenance and funding sources) and will reach out to his co-panelists.

6. Update on Union Village Walking Tour

This is still in development and the Commission will continue to discuss at its next meeting.

7. 2022 CLG Grant (Second Round)

The Commission elected not to pursue a CLG grant for the second round 2022 cycle to allow the Commission and focus on a multi-year work plan and next priorities.

8. Other Business

The Commission discussed how to be a resource for homeowners renovating and restoring their homes.

The consensus of the Commission was to work on a series of educational programming for the fall.

Jess Phelps and Phil Zea will coordinate/work on developing a list of potential speakers.

9. Future Meeting

The group selected **Wednesday, March 16th at 9:00 a.m.** as its next meeting date/time.

10. Adjourn

Phil Zea moved to adjourn the meeting.

Deb Brien seconded the motion.

The motion to adjourn passed unanimously (5-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED 3-15-22