

TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK **Historic District Commission**

William Childress, Chairman Diane Aldi DePaola, Vice Chair Jan Furman, Secretary

Mary Kennedy Laura Gray

Alternate Members Eugene Creighton Richard Peters Barbara Harms

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MINUTES REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, January 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

2nd Floor Conference Room, Town Hall 302 Main Street, Old Saybrook

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: W. Childress, D. Aldi DePaola, J. Furman, M. Kennedy, E. Creighton, B. Harms

Absent: L. Gray (Barbara Harms seated in her stead)

Staff: T. Makowicki, B. Riordan

III. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Meeting Minutes

The Commission clarified the minutes of the 12/5/18 meeting:

II. ROLL CALL:

E. Creighton seated for L. Gray

V.A. Election of Officers:

MOTION to <u>nominate W. Childress as Chairman</u>; MADE by **D. Aldi DePaola**, SECONDED by **M. Kennedy**; VOTING IN FAVOR: **W. Childress**, **D. Aldi DePaola**, J. Furman, M. Kennedy; 4-0-0.

MOTION to nominate D. Aldi DePaola as Vice Chairman; MADE by W. Childress, SECONDED by J. Furman; VOTING IN FAVOR: W. Childress, D. Aldi DePaola, J. Furman, M. Kennedy; 4-0-0.

MOTION to nominate J. Furman as Secretary; MADE by D. Aldi DePaola, SECONDED by M. Kennedy; VOTING IN FAVOR: W. Childress, D. Aldi DePaola, J. Furman, M. Kennedy; 4-0-0.

III.C. Representative Report:

River Birch planted in honor of Barbara Maynard not Elm tree.

MOTION to approve the December 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes as amended; MADE by **D. Aldi-DePaola**; SECONDED by **W. Childress**; VOTING IN FAVOR: **W. Childress**, **D. Aldi DePaola**, OPPOSED by none; ABSTAINED by 3; APPROVED: 2-0-3.

B. Correspondence

The Chairman shared an invitation from the Land Use Department to a gathering of the land use agencies on Thursday, 1/31/19 at 6 p.m. The Commission received various newsletters related to historic preservation.

C. Committee, Representative and Staff Reports

The Building Official reported about the issuance of Requests for Exemption.

Ms. Aldi DePaola presented the quote from **Tedd Levy** for the **historic interpretive displays** at Fort Saybrook and as well as the article on the project in the winter edition of **Old Saybrook Events**.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. "Giles Blague House" (1807)

Application for Certificate of Appropriateness as to Exterior Features

Construction of fieldstone wall (42' total)

69 Cromwell Place (Map 32 / Lot 56) Applicant: Robert D. Laurie, Jr., owner

The Chairman opened the public hearing by introducing the applicant. The applicant shared details about the historic stone wall and future parking area including hitching posts, mailbox, split rail fence and retaining wall.

T. Makowicki shared photos of the project, confirmed that the location of the wall was approved by L. Bonin and suggested the applicant familiarize himself with property lines related to the location of the house on the lot.

MOTION to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness as to Exterior Features for construction of fieldstone wall (42' total) at the "Giles Blague House" (1807), 69 Cromwell Place (Map 32 / Lot 56); MADE by **D. Aldi-DePaola**; SECONDED by **W. Childress**; VOTING IN FAVOR: **W. Childress, D. Aldi DePaola, J. Furman, M. Kennedy, B. Harms**; OPPOSED by none; ABSTAINED by none; APPROVED: 5-0-0.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. until next meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., Town Hall, 302 Main Street; MADE by D. Aldi DePaola; SECONDED by M. Kennedy; VOTING IN FAVOR: W. Childress, B. Harms, J. Furman, M. Kennedy, D. Aldi DePaola; OPPOSED by none; ABSTAINED by none; APPROVED: 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Riordan

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