

# TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK **Historic District Commission**

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

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Mary Kennedy Laura Gray

**Alternate Members** 

Eugene Creighton

Richard Peters Barbara Harms

## MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING Tuesday, June 18, 2019 7:00 p.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Town Hall 302 Main Street, Old Saybrook

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

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

#### II. ROLL CALL

Present: D. Aldi DePaola, L. Gray, J. Furman, M. Kennedy, E. Creighton (seated for W.

Childress)

Absent: R. Peters, W. Childress, And B. Harms Staff: T. Makowicki

III. **NEW BUSINESS -** D. Aldi DePaola opened the Public Hearing.

### A. Certificate of Appropriateness as to Exterior Features

Boathouse renovation 91 North Cove Road (Map 32/Lot 1) Applicant: Russ & Fran Warren, owners Agent: Brooke Girty

Brooke Girty, Agent and Steve Hallahan, Builder presented proposed boathouse reconstruction which was not included in the owner's original scope of work. During pool construction a portion of the retaining wall closest to the boathouse was moved making it apparent that the boat house was structurally unsound, sills were rotted, and areas of the foundation needed to be repaired. Additional doors for better access from the pool and windows will be added.

Original siding has been stockpiled for reuse. Existing interior patina will be maintained. Original manual door facing the cove will be replaced by powder coated aluminum overhead (remoted controlled door) with windows and will match the trim.

T. Mackowicki inspected the structure (with minimal framing) and surmised that the siding alone was preventing the boathouse from collapsing.

There was discussion about the replacement windows and aluminum overhead door. Windows will be replace with like windows from the 1920's original build and aluminum door with solve the potential hazard of original door which was operated by a pulley system and only accessible from the water. Overhead door facing the cove is more durable and will allow light into the structure.

There was discussion, then direction from T. Makowicki, Building Official, to put the temporary safety fence back up around the pool while it is under construction.

E. Creighton asked for detail on the cupola. B. Girty described it as having a classic design with louvers.

**MOTION**: To grant a Certificate of Appropriateness as to Exterior Features Alteration including: reuse original siding/doors, repair existing foundation, shore up existing interior structure, replace original windows w/ like, install overhead door at waterside, remove metal exhaust chimney and asphalt roof, replace w/cedar roof to match house and install cupola. **MADE**: E. Creighton, **SECONDED**: J.Furman; **IN FAVOR**: D. Aldi DePaola, L. Gray, M. Kennedy, J. Furman, E. Creighton; OPPOSED: 0; **ABSTAINED**: 0; **APPROVED**: 5-0-0.

#### IV. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. **Minutes** from April 14<sup>th</sup> 2019 to be voted on at July 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting due to R. Peters and absence (no Quorum to vote)
- B. **Correspondence** None
- C. Committee, Representative and Staff Reports

**MOTION**: To clarify procedure for hearing applications by phone if necessary **MADE**: E. Creighton, **SECONDED**: M. Kennedy; **IN FAVOR**: D. Aldi DePaola, L. Gray, M. Kennedy, J. Furman, E. Creighton; OPPOSED: 0; **ABSTAINED**: 0; **APPROVED**: 5-0-0.

#### V. **OLD BUSINESS**

### A. Awareness-building Initiative – Historic Interpretive Displays

Tedd Levy presented a progress report about informational signage. 3 of the 6 interpretive displays have been installed thanks to the FY 18/19 \$2000 donation from HDC, Dept. of Public Works and The Planning Commission. It will cost an additional \$2000 to complete the project.

**MOTION**: To sponsor installation of remaining 3 signs with \$2000 donation from FY 19/20 HDC budget **MADE**: E. Creighton, **SECONDED**: J. Furman; **IN FAVOR**: D. Aldi DePaola, L. Gray, M. Kennedy, J. Furman, E. Creighton; OPPOSED: 0; **ABSTAINED**: 0; **APPROVED**: 5-0-0.

VI. **DISCUSSION: Photovoltaic (Solar) Systems –** tabled until W. Childress is back

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to <u>adjourn the meeting at 8 p.m.</u> until next meeting on **Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., Town Hall, 302 Main Street; MADE** by E. Creighton, **SECONDED** by M. Kennedy; **VOTING IN FAVOR**: D. Aldi DePaola, L. Gray, J. Furman E. Creighton, M. Kennedy **; OPPOSED** by none; **ABSTAINED** by none; **APPROVED**: 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Riordan Recording Clerk

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