

GREAT BARRINGTON DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MASON LIBRARY
231 MAIN STREET, HISTORY ROOM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2023
5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: **JENNIFER CLARK**
JIM MERCER
JB BRODEUR
JACKIE KAIN

ED MAY STAFF LIASON

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Clark called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

She asked the Committee members to introduce themselves as the membership has changed since the last meeting.

II. REORGANIZE:

The Committee didn't reorganize.

III. DISCUSSION OF BYLAWS APPLICABLE TO DAC:

The Committee discussed 7.19, the bylaw that pertains to the Design Advisory Committee and its responsibilities.

Mr. Mercer asked if DAC should continue to exist.

Ms. Clark said yes. DAC can provide constructive information to applicants.

There was discussion of DAC's role in review of sign permits. Sign in the Downtown district stopped being forwarded to DAC.

Mr. May said he previously sent sign application to DAC to assist with the Town Code interpretation. He said the bylaw only requires that signs over 1,000 square feet be sent to DAC for review and comment.

Ms. Kain said she had a discussion with DAC member Steve Dietemann, who was unable to attend the meeting. She said Mr. Dietemann defined DAC as a committee that has an advisory role that is mindful of the development process. She asked what should the committee be.

Mr. Mercer said DAC could expand into different areas such as the Cultural District and DAC could advocate for Downtown businesses by promoting the Town. He suggested expanding DAC's purview could be useful.

As time was a factor, the Committee moved on to conclude its business. The Committee agreed to meet next on July 26 at 5:00 PM. Location to be determined.

IV. MINUTES: MAY 11, 2022

MOTION: Mr. Mercer to approve the minutes of May 11, 2022
SECOND: Ms. Clark
VOTE: All in favor

V. CITIZEN'S SPEAK TIME:

No one spoke.

Having concluded the Committee business, Ms. Clark adjourned without objection at 5:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly L. Shaw

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Secretary