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GREAT BARRINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION Regular Hybrid Meeting Minutes from June 15th 2023

Town Hall via Zoom Seminar 5:30 pm

Attendees-

Donald Howe, Chair James Mercer, Vice-Chair Abby Schroeder, Secretary Marilyn Bisiewicz, Alternate

Not Present- Fred Clark, Member

REGULAR MEETING

Meeting called to order at 5:30 by Chair Howe with a Roll Call of Attendees. Chair Howe, Vice-Chair Mercer, Secretary Schroeder and Alternate Bisiewicz were present in Town Hall.

Meeting Notes for the May 18th 2023 Regular Hybrid Meeting were not reviewed.

SITE VISIT

<u>Pedestrian Tunnel Kiosk-</u> All Members Present along with Chris Rembold of the Town of Great Barrington reviewed the status of the existing structure which covers the stairway/tunnel under the existing railway track.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Pedestrian Tunnel Kiosk-</u> All Members and Chris Rembold reviewed preliminary drawings for repairs and restoration of the existing structure including the following-

- Existing roof repair and restoration
- Gutter detail use of coated aluminum
- Replaced trim and wainscoating materials-new wood, Mahogony, PVC or Boral
- Reinstallation of sign
- Color
- Lighting

<u>Town Hall</u> - Chris Rembold had distributed a PDF by email to all members for the extensive site improvements to Town Hall which was reviewed as follows-

- Area Lighting
- Bus Stop
- Utility pole at Castle Street
- Use of old existing steps
- Accessible toilet (Loo)

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- Property line
- Access from Main Street
- Relocation of the bandstand and the playground
- Veteran monuments
- Construction time frame-after improvements to Memorial Field

Mason Library- Chair Howe noted the photos that had been sent showing the deteriorated Shell Canopy at the Main Entrance. Also noted that Fred Clark and he had reviewed the drawings by the Town for the Sculpture Committee prior to the next application. Main clarification needed is whether paving materials are being used. Members added that they strongly feel that any process should demonstrate how the sculpture will be placed. Samples of materials would be helpful in the review process.

<u>Historic Photos</u> Chair Howe and Vice-Chair Mercer have prepared two framed historic photos for the Town Clerks office.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Electrical Cabinets Graphics</u>- Vice-Chair Mercer is pursuing the next installations by the graphic artist Franklin.

Citizen Speak- None.

Next Meeting - Next HDC Meeting will be the Regular Hybrid Meeting July 20th 2023 at 5:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn at 6:41 pm by Abby Schroeder unless there is any objection was seconded by Marilyn Bisiewicz.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donald V. Howe, Chair

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