GREAT BARRINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes from February 20th 2020
Town Hall 6:30 pm

Attendees-
Donald Howe, Chair
James Mercer, Vice-Chair
Julie Fagan, Member

Not Present-
Patricia Ryan, Secretary
Abby Schroeder, Member
Marilyn Bieiewicz, Alternate

REGULAR MEETING

Meeting opened at 6:35 and called to order by Chair Howe.
Meeting Notes for the December 19th 2019 Regular Meeting were reviewed. Chair noted the
time for adjournment needed to be added and suggested a note about the Regular October and
Meetings not being held. Motion to approve as noted by James Mercer and seconded by Julie
Fagan. All attending voted in favor with none opposed.

OLD BUSINESS

Transformer Graphics- Chair Howe noted that his attempts at obtaining scans of existing
photos had not been successful. James Mercer and Chair Howe will try a higher resolution
scanner to meet Larkin Signs’ requirements.

Historic Tour Brochures- James Mercer will get additional holders and graphics.

HDC Budget- Chair noted the increase is now $4,000 for the Town Budget for the next fiscal
year. A review of HDC expenses for the past three years showed the current pending items for
reimbursement for postage and miscellaneous printing expenses.

Veterans’ Grant- The HDC was awarded a grant in the amount of $2,505.00 matching funds for
planning of a “Memory Garden” at Town Hall. Additional funds may come available in
September.

NEW BUSINESS

MHC Preservation Awards- Chair Howe noted that the Historical Commission had prepared
nominations for Saint James Place under the Adaptive Reuse Category and Barbara Syer for a
lifetime achievement for the MHC 2020 Preservation awards. Julie Fagan and Chair Howe assisted in the preparation of the nominations. HDC Members wrote several supporting letters.

OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

Next Meeting: Next HDC Meeting was scheduled for March 16th 2020 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn at 7:40pm by Jim Mercer with a second by James Mercer. All present voted in favor.