

Minutes of the Canaan Historic District Commission Meeting

September 21, 2020

The Canaan Historic District Commission met at the Canaan Fire Station, pursuant to notice duly given September 21, 2020 at 7:15 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chair John Bergeron. The other regular member present was Mike Roy. Also present were alternate members: Maria Clark, George Foley and Tom Milligan. Members of the public present were: Claude Lemoi, Daryl Robbins and Patsy Carter. Robert and Stacey Low appeared by Zoom.

The Chair appointed Maria Clark and George Foley to be voting members since regular members Scott Borthwick, Richard Fox and Elizabeth Jutila were absent. The Chair also appointed Tom Milligan as temporary secretary.

The first item of business was a public hearing in consideration of the application of Robert and Stacey Low to build a new dwelling on tax lot I-E-13-6. The Commission discussed the applicable setback requirements with the applicants and the applicants agreed to conform to the setbacks as stated in the regulations of the District. Upon motion of Maria Clark and second by George Foley the Commission unanimously approved the application as modified with the addition of side lights, corner boards, fascia and wider window trim. Also upon motion by George Foley and second by Maria Clark the Commission unanimously waived the roof pitch requirement of the District Regulations.

The minutes of the August 17 2020 meeting were reviewed. Upon motion of John Bergeron and second by Mike Roy the minutes were approved with the following modification: The sentence “The Commission found their application to be acceptable with a waiver on the roof pitch.” is deleted and the following sentence inserted in place of the deleted sentence: “The Commission did not identify issues with the application other than a dormer roof pitch waiver is required.”

The Chair reported that there had been no response from the attorney concerning the review and revision of the District Regulations.

Consideration of Historic District signs has been deferred until November or December.

The Chair reported an issue with signs of commercial businesses located on town property on Roberts Road near its intersection with Canaan Street. After discussion the Commission took no action, leaving the issue to the Town of Canaan to address.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. upon the motion of Mike Roy and second by George Foley.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Milligan