

Minutes from May 12, 2020 Virtual Meeting of the  
Ashley Falls Historic District Commission

In attendance: Sandra Preston, Pricilla Reuger, Bob Pasqualina, Richard Chernoff, Lou Levine – committee members. Julie Barrows, Liam O'Brian, Andrew Belcher, Nick Green, Lori Hummel, Howard Kruse, Pat Levine, members of the public.

Pat was asked and agreed to take minutes.

Bob read the statement regarding "Conducting Meetings under Gov. Baker's 3/12/20 Emergency Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law."

1. It was moved by Lou and seconded by Sandra to approve the minutes as distributed. The motion was approved unanimously.
2. Matters regarding 21 Clayton Road  
Lou reviewed the activity on this property since the last meeting of the Commission. The application for a certificate of non-applicability for installation of solar panels was withdrawn. An application for a certificate of hardship was submitted. The bylaws require a public hearing before the Commission can rule on the application. Lou moved and Bob seconded to hold a public hearing at 5pm on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> and at the conclusion of the hearing, the Commission would meet to discuss and rule. The motion was approved unanimously.
3. Matter regarding 1114 Ashley Falls Road  
Three applications for certificates of appropriateness were received for painting and repairs to buildings on the property and one application for a certificate of appropriateness was received for window replacement. This latter application was withdrawn and replaced by an application for a certificate of non-applicability. It was moved by Sandra and seconded by Lou to approve the certificate of non-applicability for window replacement. The motion was approved unanimously.

Regarding the applications for a certificate of appropriateness for painting and repairs, after discussion, it was moved by Lou and seconded by Sandra to approve the application as per the repairs and colors specified in the application by the owner. The motion was approved unanimously. A notice will be sent to abutters regarding this work, as required by the bylaws.

4. Matters regarding 206 East Main Street  
An application for a certificate of appropriateness to replace windows and paint the house was received. The part of the application for window replacement was withdrawn and re-submitted as an application for a certificate of non-applicability. After discussion, Bob moved and Lou seconded the application for a certificate of non-applicability. The

homeowner will replace the existing 2 over 2 windows with similar windows as described in the application. The motion was approved unanimously.

Regarding the applications for a certificate of appropriateness for painting, after discussion, it was moved by Lou and seconded by Richard to approve the application as per the colors specified in the application by the owner. The motion was approved unanimously. A notice will be sent to abutters regarding this work, as required by the bylaws.

5. Matters regarding 1180 Ashley Falls Road

An application for a certificate of appropriateness was received for a sign to be affixed to the building. After discussion, Richard moved and Bob seconded that the application be approved as per the application. The motion was approved unanimously. A notice will be sent to abutters regarding this work, as required by the bylaws.

6. Other business – Lou requested that a review of the language used on the applications be reviewed by the Commission.

7. Lou moved and Bob seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion was approved unanimously.