



Westport Historic District Commission

Town Hall

Westport, Conn. 06880

ABBREVIATED ACTION MINUTES Westport Historic District Commission Public Hearing July 8, 2014

The Westport Historic District Commission held a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 8, 2014 in Town Hall Room 201 for the following purposes:

1. To hear Chairman's report and update on current HDC activities.
 - **The first round of proposals for the Minute Man Monument restoration project were too high. However, it was re-bid with a proposal from a very good bidder and below funding amount.**
 - **The Village District Study is progressing with consultant interviews with stakeholders and working in conjunction with the Downtown Master Plan Committee. The purpose of the proposed establishment of a village district is to simplify zoning and provide design guidelines.**
 - **The Maplewood Avenue Study Report is completed and in the process of being submitted to the Town Clerk, Planning and Zoning Office, and the State Historic Preservation Office for review and comments.**
 - **The town has prepared a ground lease for the relocation of the Kemper-Gunn House.**
2. To approve the minutes of the June 10, 2014 special meeting and public hearing. **The minutes of the June 10, 2014 special meeting and public hearing were approved as amended.**
3. To take such action as the meeting may determine to approve a *Certificate of Appropriateness Application* dated June 25, 2014 for the proposed construction of a garage addition at **7 Washington Avenue** located in the Gorham Avenue Historic District. **Approved by a vote 4 (yes) Henkels, Gerber, Weingarten and Rafalaf and 1 (no) Wacker.**
4. To take such action as the meeting may determine to reconsider waiving the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit application at **8 Bradley Street** located in the Compo Owenoke Historic District. **Denied unanimously.**
5. To take such action as the meeting may determine to waive the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit application at **10 Reichert Circle**. **Approved unanimously.**
6. To take such action as the meeting may determine to waive the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit application at **166 Cross Highway**. **Approved unanimously.**
7. To take such action as the meeting may determine to waive the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit application at **54 North Avenue**, c. 1906, identified on the Historic Resources Inventory. **Denied unanimously.**

8. To take such action as the meeting may determine to waive the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit application at **12 Manitou Road. Approved unanimously.**
9. To take such action as the meeting may determine to waive the balance of the delay period for a demolition permit application at **19 Hillspoint Road. Approved unanimously.**
10. To discuss the definition of demolition as it applies to historic resources. **The members created a subcommittee responsible for working with the building official on the HDC's definition of a demolition as it applies to the demolition delay ordinance.**
11. To discuss possible nominations for the upcoming 2014 Annual Preservation Awards to be announced in the fall. **The members discussed upcoming nominations.**