



Historic District Commission

Minutes

02/15/2022

Regular Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

Via Zoom

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Peggy Adler called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. **Members Present were:** Peggy Adler, Maureen Wellman, Dennis Parker, Jake Clinton, Rich Geer & Barbara Gibson. **Absent was :** Mark Giaconia
3. **Seating of Alternate in Full Seat if Vacant:** Barbara was seated for Mark Giaconia & Jake Clinton was seated in the vacant full seat.
4. **Visitors/Public Comment:** none
5. **Approval of Minutes of 1/18/2022:** The only correction was the spelling of member Rich Geer's last name. Jake Clinton moved to approve the minutes as amended. Rich Geer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
6. **Correspondence:** none
7. **Status of some of Clinton's Historic Buildings/Properties of Concern to HDC:**
 - a. **151 East Main (Dowd House) – will be installing 6 over 6 windows**
 - b. 92 East Main (Kelsey House) – Update: (no new info)
 - c. 159 East Main (1720 House) – Update: no new Information.
 - d. 89 East Main (in front of the memory care facility) – No new info
 - e. Waterside Lane – New Construction: no new information.
8. **HDC Certificate of Recognition for Historic Property Restoration Program:**
(Select the 4th property to be property to be recognized in March or April)
 - A. **Criteria:** Must have been in a state of deterioration or inappropriate modernization and then restored;
 - B. **Selected to be Recognized:**
 - 109 East Main Street (FY 2021 -2022)

- 148 Old Post Road (FY 2021 -2022)
- 5 Liberty Street (FY 2021 – 2022)

C. Potential Candidates:

- 44 Waterside Lane
- Methodist Church on Commerce Street (Steeple replaced)
- 17 Waterside Lane (Kabe’s house)
- 63 East Main (Stanton House - when completed)
- 92 East Main (Josiah Kelsey House - when completed)
- 125 East Main (when completed)
- 129 East Main (when completed)
- 63 Pratt Road (when completed)

9. Status of Recommendations of Individual Properties for National Register of Historic Places that are Not in a National Register District:

- a) Pallenberg Complex @ 15 North High (nothing new)
- b) 63 Pratt Road (nothing new)
- c) Cow Hill School (nothing new)

10. Expand the LGHD by adding 18 Liberty Street. (nothing new expected until 2022+)

11. Clinton Historic District Signage (Update):

- a) CLFRF/ARPA Funding Request: Process still underway.
- b) FY 22-23 Budget Request (pending)

12. Commerce Street/Leffingwell as a National Register District: (update)
Town Manager is awaiting the countersigned grant paperwork and RFP Template from SHPO.

13. “Clinton Events”: 148 Old Post Road press release and photos are scheduled to be in the issue of *Clinton Events* to be released in late February.

14. Current HDC Areas of Concern: lengthy periods of fund-raising and/or tag sales - whether with or without tents in the LGHD (lengthy being weeks and weeks or even months, rather than a weekend or two): All HDC members present expressed very serious concerns, including the traffic and parking. Some even wondered if this might constitute a business due to the large sum raised at one in 2021. Chairman Adler tasked the Commissioners to each do some research so they can discuss this at the March meeting.

15. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:48pm on a motion from Maureen Wellman and Second from Rich Geer.

Respectfully Submitted by Barbara Gibson
HDC Member/Clerk