



**Historic District Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
02/16/2021  
Zoom Meeting**

**Attendees:** Peggy Adler, Vice Chairman; Maureen Wellman, HDC Member; Dennis Parker, HDC Member; Rich Geer, HDC Member; Laura Reynolds, HDC Member; Gloria McQueeney, Clerk

**Absent:** Gary Bango, HDC Member

**Visitors/ Public Comment:** Alan Kravitz, PZC Member, DRB Member; Jake Clinton

**Seating of Alternate in Full Seat if Vacant:** Laura Reynolds seated for Gary Bango

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Peggy Adler, Vice Chairman, at 7:04 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** September 15, 2020, October 20, 2020, and November 17, 2020 –

Tabled permanently, as 4 of HDC's 6 members are new and were not at those meetings.

**Correspondence:** None

The election of a Chair and Vice Chair was tabled until next meeting, March 16, 2021.

**Update of Current HDC Assignments and Areas of Concern:**

- 7 Liberty Street Fence

All of the latest correspondence regarding this property was sent ahead of the meeting to all new members.

As of this date, the owner of 7 Liberty Street has not responded to the registered letter sent to her from the Clinton Building Inspector, Ed Smith, nor has she completed and filed an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to the Historic District Commission for the building of a "stockade" style fence on the property.

After a lengthy discussion Maureen Wellman **moved** that a letter from the Historic District Commission be sent to Karl Kilduff, Town Manager, requesting that the Town of Clinton move forward to enforce the penalty as delineated in Section 320-8 of the Liberty Green Historic District's Ordinance, as well as Section 7-147h of the Connecticut General Statutes at 7 Liberty Street for willful actions of the property owner to avoid compliance. The motion was **seconded** by Rich Geer and with no further discussion, the motion passed.

- 7 Liberty Street Chimney Cap – Tabled
- 7 Liberty Street Building Permit for interior restoration?
  - After a brief discussion, it was decided that the question of a building permit for interior restoration was not under the purview of the Historic District Commission.

**Clinton Historic District Signage Possibilities:**

<https://chs.org/opportunities/legends-lore-roadside-marker-program/>

Peggy Adler asked for a volunteer to work with the Economic Development Commission, John Allen, to research historic markers for the Town through the Legends and Lore marker’s grant program. No one immediately volunteered but members will get back to P. Adler next meeting.

Fallen Town Tree & Stump on Property at 6 Liberty Street

- Debris has been removed.

**Status of some of Clinton’s Historic Buildings/Properties of Concern to HDC:**

- 151 East Main (Dowd House)
  - Dennis Parker **moved** to approve a letter written from the Historic District Commission to Todd Levine, Architectural Historian, State Historic Preservation Office, Department of Economic and Community Development, State of Connecticut, stating that The Clinton Historic District Commission hereby supports saving the home located at 151 East Main Street. Maureen Wellman **seconded** and the motion carried.
- 92 East Main (Kelsey House) – Renovation is ongoing
- 159 East Main (1720 House)
  - Building is still in disrepair. It was agreed that the developer/builder should be held accountable for upkeep of the property. Alan Kravitz and Peggy Adler will follow up.
- 89 East Main (in front of the memory care facility)
  - Building has been left to fall into disrepair by current owners of the facility.
- 22 High Street (Munger House) – No new information.

**HDC Certificate of Recognition for Restoration Program: Ongoing**

- A. Criteria:** Must have been in a state of deterioration or inappropriate modernization and then restored
- B. Potential Candidates:**
  - Mill District School (Glenwood Road)
  - 125 East Main
  - 68 East Main (Milestone House)

5 Liberty Street  
92 East Main (when completed)  
63 Pratt Road (when completed)  
148 Old Post Road (Flynn House)

P. Adler asked for a volunteer to design a certificate to be awarded to a restored property which has been completed. This could be done on a yearly basis. A. Kravitz suggested that the HDC along with the Town Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, and Design Review Board create a joint award. A. Kravitz will bring up to DRB and PZC.

**Status of Recommendations of Individual Properties for National Register of Historic Places That are not in any National Register District:**

- a. Mill District School – Ongoing with Connecticut State Historic Preservation Commission.
- b. Cow Hill School - Ongoing with Connecticut State Historic Preservation Commission.
- c. Pallenburg Complex @ 15 North High Street - Ongoing with Connecticut State Historic Preservation Commission.
- d. 63 Pratt Road – Request for National Register status sent to State.

This project remains ongoing.

**New Business:** Approach property owner of 18 Liberty Street to become part of the Liberty Green Historic District - Tabled

Maureen Wellman **moved** to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., D. Parker **seconded** and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria McQueeney  
Clerk, Historic District Commission