



Historic District Commission

Meeting Minutes

06/20/2023

Regular Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

Via Zoom

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Peggy Adler called the meeting to order at 7:01PM
2. **Present:** Peggy Adler, Maureen Wellman, Rich Geer, Dennis Parker, Barbara Gibson.
Absent: Terry Clark, Mark Giaconia, Jake Clinton
3. **Seating of Alternate:** Barbara Gibson was seated for Mark Giaconia
4. **Visitors/Public Comment:** none
5. **Approval of 05/16/2023 meeting minutes:** motion to approve the minutes as prepared made by Dennis Parker, Seconded by Rich Geer, approved unanimously.
And approval of 06/14/2023 special meeting minutes: motion to approve the minutes as prepared made by Rich Geer, Seconded by Dennis Parker, approved unanimously.
6. **Correspondence:** none
7. **Status of some of Clinton's Historic Buildings/Properties of Concern to HDC:**
 - a. 92 East Main (Kelsey House) – no new info
 - b. 101 East Main – Fence in process of being repaired, grounds in poor condition.
 - c. 159 East Main (1720 House) – Update: awaiting certificate of occupancy
 - d. 89 East Main (in front of the memory care facility) – Post Expo Update
 - e. 69 Waterside Lane – No new info
 - f. 22 High Street
 - g. 151 East Main Street: fence is in very poor condition, tenants leave junk all over property.

8. HDC Certificate of Recognition for Historic Property Restoration Program:

A. Criteria: Must have been in a state of deterioration or inappropriate modernization and then restored;

B. Already Selected/Recognized:

- 109 East Main Street (FY 2021 -2022) > SOLD 2/6/2023
- 148 Old Post Road (FY 2021 -2022)
- 5 Liberty Street (FY 2021 – 2022)
- 44 Waterside Lane (FY 2021 – 2022)

C. Potential Candidates:

- 17 Waterside Lane (Kabe’s house)
- 63 East Main (Stanton House - for consideration when completed)
- 92 East Main (Josiah Kelsey House – for consideration when completed)
- 125 East Main (for consideration when completed)
- 129 East Main (for consideration when completed)
- ~~159 East Main (update)~~
- 63 Pratt Road (for consideration when completed)
- 142 Commerce Street (for consideration when completed)

Honorable Mention for restorations that use modern materials, such as vinyl siding. Recognition in the press, but no photo hung on the wall at Andrews. Perhaps this might encourage more folks to repair/restore their antique property. Two current examples are 151 East Main and the former multi-color house.

- 151 East Main (Cited in 2022)
- 138 East Main (cited in 2023)

9. Expand the LGHD by adding 18 Liberty Street. (nothing new)

10. Clinton Historic District Signage (Update):

> **CLFRF/ARPA Funding Requests:** Following the 6/21 public hearing, the approval process will move on to a Town Meeting, after which the money designated for Historic District Signage will be disbursed.

11. Commerce Street as a National Register District: SHPO’s Jenny Scofield plans to call a meeting of the Commerce Street residents, after which the nomination will go before the State Review Board at their September meeting. If approved, the nomination will then be sent to the Department of Interior’s National Park Service for authentication.

12. “Clinton Events” (2th quarter – 138 East Main, Honorable Mention)

13. Old Business:

- **Utility Boxes In Historic Districts** (nothing new)
- **7 Central Avenue:** This is a non-contributing structure in the High Street/John Street National Historic District.

14. New Business: none.

15. Executive Session per CGS 1-200(6)(B): None.

16. Adjournment: motion to adjourn made by Rich Geer, seconded by Dennis Parker, unanimously approved.

Chairman Peggy Adler adjourned the meeting at 7:40PM

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Gibson
Clerk and Alternate Member