

TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD
WEST HARTFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES

7:30 P.M., Monday January 22, 2018
West Hartford Town Hall, Room 312

Regular Meeting:

Present: Full Commissioners: C. Cormier, P. Howard, M. Lewis, and M. Margolis
Alternates: K. Fransson and J. Harris

Chair Commissioner M. Margolis called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

1. New Business-

Nancy Walsh, Casey Walsh, and Jack Kemper, owner, daughter and architect respectively of 146 Raymond Road, came before the West Hartford Historic District Commission (WHHDC) to informally discuss their plans for converting their single-family home into a two-family home considering that as the structure is on a double lot within an area zoned as multi-family. The Walshes own the three abutting houses on either side of this one being discussed. The proposed work would entail retaining the front street face and roof line of the existing structure and extend a contiguous addition towards the back of the lot facing Trout Brook. The proposed plan includes replacing the existing single car garage with a two car garage of two cars depth. The proposed addition and garage appears to be in keeping with the present design, and style of the current structures. The proposed plan would increase the current living area from ~1,800 sq ft to ~4,100 which would be a quite noticeable increase in scale considering all the other neighboring properties in the district. The plan includes using wood clad windows, and architectural roofing shingles which conform with materials traditionally used within the district. Other planned materials including fiber cement siding, and other engineered composites were not in common use in the district and the WHHDC would ask to see samples in order to make a better informed decision as to appropriateness. The owner will take this back and would like to begin construction as early as practically possible. The WHHDC welcomes the opportunity to discuss this matter again informally or in more detail upon submission of a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA).

2. Meeting Minutes-

Motion to approve the West Hartford Historic District Commission meeting minutes of the October 23rd 2017 Regular Meeting was made and seconded. The WHHDC voted unanimously to approve the 10/23 minutes with changes.

3. The WHHDC 2018 Election of Officers

- * J. Harris opened the floor to nominations.
- * J. Harris nominated both M. Margolis as Chairman and M. Lewis as Secretary.
- * K. Fransson seconded the two nominations.
- * P. Howard moved to close the floor to nominations.
- * C. Cormier seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motions carried.

- * J. Harris moved to elect M. Margolis for Chairman and M. Lewis for Secretary.
- * K. Fransson seconded the two motions.

- * All voted in favor. Opposed: None. Abstained: M. Margolis and M. Lewis.
- * The motions carried.

No nomination, motion or election was made concerning Vice Chairperson.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made, and seconded. All voted in favor, no objections, or abstentions. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Mitch Lewis