

TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD  
WEST HARTFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
5:00 P.M., Monday July 26, 2021

Regular Meeting:

Present: Full Commissioners: M. Lewis, and A. Tarutin.  
Alternate Commissioner: J. Harris and S. Schwartz.

Vice Chair Commissioner A. Tarutin called the meeting to order at 5:13 P.M.

1. New Business-  
Stephanie Zarrella, Demolition Contractor for 711 Prospect Avenue, came before the West Hartford Historic District Commission (WHHDC) regarding a Waiver of Delay of Demolition (WDOD) request for the ~3800 sq ft building that suffered severe fire damage to the extent that it's been deemed structurally unsafe. It is a complete loss. Commissioner Tarutin reached out to Catherine Labadia at the State Preservation Office and she was not aware of any historical significance with the property. Motion to accept the WDOD was made and seconded. Motion to vote was made and the WHHDC voted unanimously to approve the WDOD. Vice Chair Tarutin will inform the Building Department at the next earliest convenience.
2. Amy Karwan and daughter, owners of 7 West Hill Rd, came before the WHHDC to solicit feedback on their plan to replace 6 existing 8/8 windows with same wooden windows from Marvin. Three windows on the front, two on the side and one to the rear are to be replaced. The WHHDC likes the windows and appreciated the opportunity to advise and would look favorably on any future COA to same effect.
3. Meeting Minutes-  
Motion to approve the West Hartford Historic District Commission Virtual Regular Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2021 "as is" was made and seconded. The WHHDC voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes.
4. Commissioners' Concerns and Comments-
  - i. In-person meetings have resumed and the 5:00 P.M is too early for most Commissioners. Secretary Lewis will poll the WHHDC to see if 6:00 P.M. works.
  - ii. The WHHDC is looking for a new Chair and new Commissioner.
  - iii. Vice Chair Tarutin to miss the August Meeting, Secretary Lewis to head.
5. Public Comment-  
Charles Lucas of 1590 Boulevard, mentioned that it'd be great if the WHHDC meetings were televised.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded. All voted in favor, no objections, or abstentions. The meeting adjourned at 5:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mitch Lewis