

WATERFORD HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION

Minutes of Regular Meeting - November 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by John O'Neill, Chairman.

Present: Members: John O'Neill, Skip Adams, Debra Walters
Alternates: Melissa Guarneri, Justin Pezzolesi

Absent: Members: Eileen Olynciw
Alternates: Warren MacKenzie

Appointment of Alternates: N/A

Public Comments: None

Minutes: Motion by J. Pezzolesi, seconded by S. Adams, to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2024.

Voting in favor: Unanimous

Officers for FY 2025:

Proposed slate - J. O'Neill, Chair; E. Olynciw, V. Chair; S. Adams, Treasurer; D. Walters, Secretary

Motion by J. Pezzolesi, seconded by M. Guarneri, to accept slate as presented.

Voting in favor: Unanimous

Regular Meeting Schedule for 2025:

Proposed: January 14th, March 11th, May 13th, July 8th, September 9, November 18th

Motion by D. Walters, seconded by J. Pezzolesi, to approve.

Voting in favor: Unanimous

Waterford Historic Properties Updates: J. O'Neill reported that bid documents have been drawn up for work on the Jordan Park House. The 2024 budget

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contains \$25,000 for such work. He spoke with Mary Dunn at the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) who advised that we get a rough estimate for an engineering survey and consultation regarding possible future use of the building. We can apply for a grant to fund these items.

Waterford Historical Society Happenings: D. Walters reported that the Society continues with ongoing property maintenance.

Nevins Cottage: M. Guarnieri reported that the building permit for the project has been obtained.

Eugene O'Neill Theater Center: No report

Cemeteries: J. O'Neill reported that some trees need to be removed at Pepperbox and Durfee. The volunteer group wants to do a clean-up at Wheeler next.

Delay of Demolition Ordinance: No report

Other: Mary Dunn is willing to come to our January meeting to share with the commission members the help and resources her office can provide to the commission in its work caring for the town's historic properties. She suggested that maybe SHPO's annual Spring Workshop could be held down in this area of the state.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Walters, Secretary