

HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION

Minutes

September 14, 2021

The September 14, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Historic Properties Commission was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairman, John O'Neill.

Present: Vivian Brooks, Patrick Crotty, John O'Neill, Debra Walters, Eileen Olynciw

Also in attendance: Robert Nye

Appointment of Alternates: N/A

Minutes: Motion by V. Brooks, seconded by P. Crotty, to accept the Minutes of the July 13, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Voting in favor: Unanimous

Nevins Cottage: The town has recently allocated \$100,000, from Covid Relief funds received, to the restoration budget. Additionally, Abbey Piersall intends to apply for a \$100,000 grant from SHPO in November. It is expected that the representative town meeting will create a building committee, in accordance with the Town Code of Ordinance 2.88, to oversee the project.

Eugene O'Neill Theater Center: B. Nye reported that emergency repairs on the property have been completed and that a report on work done is forthcoming.

Cemeteries: There was discussion about maintenance of the Durfey Hill Cemetery, which the town owns, and the Gorten Cemetery, which abuts state property and has attracted much public interest. It was decided that B. Nye would try to set up a daytime meeting with R. Brule and Commission members to discuss a plan for regular town maintenance on both.

P. Crotty reported that Connecticut College/Arboretum staff seem to be taking over care of the Rogerene Cemetery.

Oil Mill District: R. Nye reported that the application to the National Historic Register will come before the state review board in December and that an informational meeting for Oil Mill District property owners will be held in October by the SHPO coordinator.

Town Center Park: R. Nye distributed the Initial Conceptual Plan drawing that was presented at the meeting.

Adjournment: Motion by D. Walters, seconded by V. Brooks, to adjourn at 8:06 p.m.

Voting in favor: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Walters, Recording Secretary

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