

HARTFORD HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

Approved Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Susanne Walker Abetti, Roy Black, Pat Stark and chair Jonathan Schechtman.

Staff Present: Town Planner Matt Osborn.

Others Present: None.

A meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was held in Room 2, Hartford Town Hall, 171 Bridge Street, WRJ on Wednesday, January 24, 2018. Chair Jonathan Schechtman called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

1. Minutes of the November 15, 2017 HHPC Meeting: Jonathan Schechtman asked if there are any corrections to the Minutes of November 15th. Susanne Walker Abetti noted corrections. Being no other corrections or additions, Susanne Walker Abetti made a motion to approve the Minutes of November 15th with the noted corrections. The motion was seconded by Pat Stark and approved.
2. Additions/Changes to the Agenda: Jonathan Schechtman asked if there are any additions to the agenda. There were none.
3. 2018 CLG Grant Project: Matt Osborn reported that the grant application was reviewed by the Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation last week. All eight CLG grant applications were approved, but one did not receive full funding. Matt noted that if Hartford received reduced funding, the project is still viable. He expects to receive official word shortly. Jonathan Schechtman asked if the next step would be the preparation of a Request for Proposals. Matt responded yes following execution of the grant agreement with the state.
4. Update of the White River Junction Historic District: Matt Osborn reported that the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation (VDHP) continues its review of the draft White River Junction Nomination. Matt noted that some small changes are being made to the Nomination and Devin Colman of VDHP expects to have a revised draft completed for the 2/21 HHPC official review of the Nomination. Following HHPC review, the nomination will be submitted to the Selectboard for their review. Architectural historian Brian Knight will attend the Selectboard meeting. Following Selectboard approval, the Nomination will go to the Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation for their review and approval before being submitted to the National Park Service. It is tentatively scheduled for the April Advisory Council Meeting.
5. Public Outreach and Education CLG Project: Matt Osborn reported that the kick-off meeting with David Raphael and Sarah Pelkey of Landworks and Brian Knight will follow today's HHPC meeting.
6. Demolition Standards for Historic Buildings: Matt Osborn reported that he will be working with Department of Planning and Development Services staff to draft demolition standards

for historic buildings to be incorporated into the Zoning Regulations. He suggested putting together a working draft then scheduling a joint workshop with the Planning Commission. The HHPC agreed.

7. Next HHPC Meeting: Jonathan Schechtman noted that the next HHPC Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 21st.
8. Adjournment: Susanne Walker Abetti made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Roy Black and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.