

Draft Minutes

Exeter Historic District Commission

5/21/2010

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Julie Gilman called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. in the Novak Room of the town offices. Members present were Cathy Corson, Julie Gilman, Fred Kollmorgen, Pam Gjetum, and Judy Rowan, who arrived about 5 minutes after the start of the meeting.

2. The application of Phillips Exeter Academy for window replacement at 46 Front Street.

The application was presented by Anita Bailey, who brought a sample of the new vinyl window the Academy would like to use. Fred Kollmorgen moved to accept the application; Pam Gjetum seconded. The purpose of the window replacement is to get rid of the lead paint in the existing windows, which are getting fairly old and require a lot of maintenance, and to increase the thermal efficiency of the windows. Replacement will be done piecemeal, office by office, completing in the fall. The unneeded storm windows will be removed when the new windows are installed. There was extensive discussion among the commission members about refurbishment of existing windows and the change in appearance of the building that the new windows would cause. The consensus of the commission was that the vinyl windows are unattractive and that there are better looking new wood windows. We asked Anita Bailey to return during our June meeting and provide a sample of a better looking wood window and cost estimate to refurbish the existing windows. Judy Rowan moved to table the application; Fred Kollmorgen seconded.

3. The application of Dana DeNiro for the installation of an exterior wooden screen door at 131 Water Street.

No one was there to present the application. It was tabled to the June meeting.

4. The application of Ann-Marie Bailey and Mark R. Harrison for change in landscaping between their property at 60 High Street and abutting property (Schutz residence) at 56 High Street.

No one was there to present the application. It was tabled to the June meeting.

5. Correspondence received from EBI, dated 4/19/10, Invitation to Comment - Addendum re: proposed telecommunications facility at the Exeter Congregational Church, 21 Front Street.

After a brief discussion among commission members, it was agreed that Pam Gjettum, the vice chair and recipient of the correspondence from EBI, will send a letter to the chair of the board of trustees of the Congregational Church. The letter will enclose a copy of the package received from EBI and recommend that the Church include it in their application to the HDC to install telecommunications equipment in the steeple.

6. Approval of the January 21, 2010 minutes.

Insufficient members who were at that meeting were present tonight to approve the minutes. Approval was tabled to our June meeting. On page 1 of the draft January 21st meeting minutes, the bolded sentence at the bottom of the pages was changed to read **“Dr. Derby moved to approve the application...”** instead of “accept”.

7. Election of Officers.

Insufficient members were at the meeting to elect the officers. Election was tabled to the June meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Fred Kollmorgen, secretary