

Town of Lunenburg

Architectural Preservation District Commission

Richard McGrath, Chairman
Cullen Dwyer, Vice Chair
Anthony Nicaastro, Member
Anthony Sculimbrene, member
William Lloyd, member



Meeting Minutes Thursday, May 5, 2022 Ritter Building

Call to Order: At 7:40 PM

Present: Chairman McGrath, Dwyer, Nicaastro, Sculimbrene

Review of Minutes: Motion to accept the Minutes from April 14, 2022, by Dwyer, seconded by Nicaastro; Accepted by all present at meeting of April 14, 2022; Sculimbrene abstained

Correspondences:

- 1) Elaine Peterson - reappointment of Richard McGrath: commission members send letters to the Selectboard; Chair McGrath requests that no letter be sent on his behalf
- 2) Lunenburg Leger: Public Hearing for CTA Ritter Building for May 19, 2022 at 7:30 PM

New Business:

- 1) CTA Town Hall
 - Nicaastro does not want chimneys torn down and told Town Manager that chimneys should stay; must be rebuilt
 - Dwyer concerned with replacement windows; not like for like; Nicaastro would prefer wood window with metal cladding like Ritter
 - Sculimbrene says never put vinyl double hung replacement windows on a historical building because they are not historical; historical downgrade to replace wood with vinyl; require that Town replace with historical wood window;
 - Dwyer listed examples for options that could be explored
 - Sculimbrene expressed concern that the most historic buildings are buildings owned by the Town and stressed the need for the Town to maintain them as historic structures; room for compromise, but not with vinyl windows
 - Town Manager needs to stress to architect that this is the most historic building owned by the Town in the District
 - discussion about historic value position vs strict cost and getting Facility Director to attend APDC meetings as contact person
 - discussion and decision made to send CTA for Town Hall to Binding Review;

Old Business:

- 1) Town Meeting: Loss of the Old Primary School negatively affects the APD
 - District is now less valuable to the community; Lunenburg has lost part of its history with the passing of the demolition
 - discussion that Town is not maintaining buildings properly and that is costing the taxpayers money
- 2) Brook's House is endangered; original farmhouse that goes with the school land
 - request and proposal to purchase and move discussed; building should be retained by Town and moved back to school lot discussed

Other

Business:

Next Meeting: Scheduled for June 2, 2022

Adjourned: Motion to adjourn by Nicaastro; seconded by Dwyer
All in favor - meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM