

Town of Harwich
HISTORIC DISTRICT AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES
Wednesday May 17, 2023, 6:00pm
Town Hall – Small Hearing Room

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Board Members Present: Chairperson Mary Maslowski, Robert Doane, Brendan Lowney, and Lynne Zalesak

Board Members Absent: Vice Chairperson Julia Eldredge

Other Attendees:

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Maslowski called the meeting into order at 6:10pm.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

HH2023-08: Town of Harwich Recreation Department has applied for a Certificate of Non-Applicability to replace a sign in the Harwich Center Historic District. The subject property is **702 Main Street, Map 41 Parcel B9**.

The Board Members reviewed the application and pictures, and all members agreed with support for this application.

Mr. Doane moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Ms. Zalesak Vote unanimously in favor.
Motion carries: public hearing closed.

Members of the Board Voting; Chairperson Mary Maslowski, Robert Doane, Brendan Lowery, and Lynne Zalesak

Motion: Move to grant the Certificate of Non-Applicability to replace a sign in the Harwich Center Historic District.

Granted With No Conditions

Motion: Lowney **Second:** Zalesak **Vote:** 4-0

III. PUBLIC MEETING:

A. Approval of Minutes

- September 19th, 2022

- October 19th, 2022
- November 16th, 2022
- March 15th, 2023
- April 19th, 2023

Members of the Board Voting; Chairperson Mary Maslowski, Brendan Lowery, and Lynne Zalesak

Motion: Move to approve the Meeting Minutes from the regular meeting of; September 19th, 2022, October 19th, 2022, November 16th, 2022, March 15th, 2023, and April 19th, 2023, as printed.

Approved

Motion: Zalesak **Second:** Doane **Vote:** 4-0

B. New Business

1. Harwich Historic Inventory Property List, Request for Written Quotation Town of Harwich.

Mr. Doane stated he had written up a description of work but had one question regarding the time period for which this would be completed by, and stated they were given a time frame of 9 – 12 months to complete.

Ms. Maslowski stated she thought this was a reasonable time frame.

Ms. Zalesak asked Mr. Doane if this was to update the Towns Historic Inventory Property List.

Mr. Doane stated it is and that it is to update MACRIS with Historical Information.

The Board Members were in agreement with the prepared pack Mr. Doane had presented.

Ms. Maslowski asked if the Cape Cod Commission were able to some portions for the town.

Mr. Doane stated they could not do the Historical Portion but are willing to do new the properties.

Mr. Doane asked for a vote to approve the RFP.

Members of the Board Voting; Chairperson Mary Maslowski, Brendan Lowery, and Lynne Zalesak

Motion: Move to approve the RFP for the Harwich Historic Property Inventory.

Approved

Motion: Lowney Second: Zalesak Vote: 4-0

C. Old Business

1. Update from Members

Ms. Zalesak asked the Members if the Seal Pub, located in the Historic District, had come before the Commission to request approval for the addition of shutters to the building.

Mr. Lowney stated they did not.

Ms. Maslowski asked if these were a change of color or material.

Ms. Zalesak stated they are new and were not there previously.

The Board Members discussed the architectural features of the building and questioned who would be responsible for notifying the Seal Pub that work had been done with approval from the HDHC, coming to the conclusion that responsibility would fall on the Building Department to notify the property owners and request they apply to the HDHC.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE/BRIEFINGS

V. ADJOURN

Members of the Board Voting; Chairperson Mary Maslowski, Brendan Lowery, and Lynne Zalesak

Motion: Move to adjourn the meeting at 6:40

Adjourned

Motion: Zalesak Second: Doane Vote: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Lohr
HDHC Board Secretary

