

TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON  
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**GREAT BARRINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting Minutes from March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Town Hall

6:30 pm

**Attendees-**

Donald Howe, Chair  
James Mercer, Vice-Chair  
Holly Troiano, Secretary  
Barbara Syer, Member

Not Present- Patricia Ryan, Alternate; Abby Schroder, Alternate

Attending- Chris Rembold, Town Planner  
Ed Abrahams, Michael Charles, Eagle Reporter

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Meeting opened and called to order by Chair Howe at 6:31 pm.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2017 Project/ Exedra Seating Restoration-** Chair noted that he had reviewed the proposed work with Sean VanDeusen, DPW Superintendent. Two approaches for Bidding the Work were discussed. Motion by James Mercer that Chair Howe ask Chris Skelly if MHA can provide data on cleaning and sealing products with a second by Holly Troiano. All present voted in favor.

**Regular Member Position-** Pat Ryan has applied for vacant Regular Member Position. All present noted their agreement.

**Vacant Member Position-** Julie Fagan has put in application for the now vacant Alternate Position. All present noted their agreement.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**William Pitt: Sotheby's Sign Relocation Application-** The application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for relocating the Existing from the Left Storefront to the Right Storefront at 306-308 Main Street was reviewed. A Building Permit has been issued for reinstalling the sign in existing holes. The question of mounting height was questioned by Chair Howe to Town Planner Chris Rembold. Chris Rembold stated that the minimum Mounting Height for Projecting Signs is 10'-0" to the bottom. The Sign Modification would go ahead with a "constructive approval" under a Certificate of Hardship. All present agreed to the relocation.

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**Transformer Graphics-** James Mercer noted the Proposal for Historic Graphic Panels would cost no more than \$6,000 for 7 Transformer Panels. Chair Howe will contact Pau Ivory, Chair of the Historical Commission for his review.

**G.B. 250 Funds-** James Mercer noted that Proposals were in process for distributing leftover monies from the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Initial Proposals came in the Hospital, Firemen and Veterans.

**BIFF Banners-** Chair Howe noted that he had just received correspondence from the Berkshire International Film Festival for installing Banners along Main Street and part of Railroad Street. All present agreed for the Chair to write a letter affirming our previous vote approving this yearly event.

**32 Bridge Street Project-** Chair Howe noted that an application was in process for the next Building Phase of the Project. Chair Howe noted that he had been looking for additional information. Michael Charles asked that the application be processed. Chair Howe noted that the HDC could review the Building with the submitted Benchmark documents only. Chris Rembold has been involved in the application process and noted that the List of Abutters submitted today completed the application and that the HDC could schedule the meeting. Michael Charles stated that he would like the meeting as soon as possible. Chris Rembold will put a Legal Ad in the Berkshire Eagle for a Special Meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in Town Hall.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

NONE

**Motion to adjourn** by Barbara Syer with a second by Holly Troiano. All present voted in favor.

Next HDC Regular Meeting will be a Special Meeting scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donald V. Howe, Chair  
April-25-2017