

MAR 22 2002**North Cove Historic District**

Minutes of the North Cove Historic District public hearing held on March 21, 2002 at the Old Saybrook Middle School library, 7:00 p.m.

**Acting Chair, Donna DiBella
Vice Chair, Kathy Dubuc
Acting Clerk, Randi Bradbury
Commissioner, Bob Welsh**

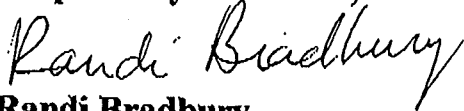
Minutes of the Feb. 14th meeting were read and approved with the following amendments. Pat Osborne was the Acting Clerk and the Genthers address is 55 North Cove Rd. The legal notice was read. The commission received one letter, which was read, from Dick Goduti about the Harbor Management Commission. Donna DiBella noted that the commission has not received any notice from the Harbor Management Commission these issues. No old business was discussed.

The public hearing was opened for discussion of the Manafort application for Certification of Appropriateness for the renovations, new garage, driveway and parking at 135 North Cove Rd. Frank and Liz Manafort were present and the were represented by Atty. David Royston and Point One Architects, Greg Nucci and Rick Staub. The architects presented the plans which included demolition and reconstruction of the east ell, renovation of the existing house, construction of a new detached garage and the addition of a driveway and off street parking. Discussion ensued. Atty. Royston presented a letter in support of the project from Charles and Annette Klewin. Several positive questions and comments were received from the public. Laura Grondon, on behalf of her parents Mr. And Mrs. Lincoln Thompson, 142 North Cove Rd., spoke in opposition to the application and requested a continuance. Angus McDonald of McDonald and Sharpe Associates spoke to the issue of the need for and the amount of fill. The public hearing was closed at 7:45p.m.

Under new business Mr. And Mrs. Ed Hildreth spoke of their concern about lighting on the Cowles property which is newly installed and very bright. They would like some remedy to the glare. Discussion ensued. The commission agreed to contact the Cowles to find a suitable solution.

The commission considered an application from the Genthers at 55 North Cove Rd. to replace the garage door. They submitted a rendering and a materials list. The commission deemed it a minor alteration not requiring a public hearing and approved it unanimously. The commission discussed the Manafort application. After discussion of the relevant factors of historical appropriateness Randi Bradbury moved to approve the application with the following modifications, a chimney to be restored on the east ell of the addition to the house and the ridgeline of the garage to be lowered by 18". Donna Dibella seconded the motion which was approved unanimously with the exception that Bob Welsh voted against lowering the ridgeline. In addition the applicant shall submit details of the exterior lighting, gutters and landscaping for final approval. The commission noted that the plan did not include these items and plans for the same must be submitted to the commission. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Randi Bradbury
Acting Clerk