

Meeting Minutes Longmeadow
Historic District Commission
Tuesday, April 12, 2022

The Longmeadow Historic District Commission met on April 12, 2022 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

Present from the HDC were: Tim Casey, Andrea Taupier, Bret Lukezic, Diane Fisher, Robert Humberston, Jonathan Jordan, and Clifford Scott. Absent was Ryan Shanks.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments

Old Business:

1. Minutes from the March 8, 2022 meeting were unanimously approved.
2. Columbia Gas Update: We have received 2 applications for tonight's meeting and two more were submitted last Friday and this Tuesday from 788 and 859 Longmeadow Street respectively and will be heard at the next meeting. The application for 780 Longmeadow Street is still outstanding and Tim has contacted the town manager and the Select Board about the situation to discuss next steps.
3. Eversource Gas Pipeline: Tim received an email from Betsy McKee who informed him that a subcontractor of Eversource was marking where the utilities were for potentially routing their proposed gas pipeline through the district. Tim is going to speak at the next Select Board meeting about the HDC's opposition to this project running through the district.

Jonathan spoke with a foreman for the surveying contractor who stated that he believed the preferred route now runs through the district.

4. Certified Local Government Application: Tim and Tom King have received resumes from everyone on the Historical Commission and the Historic District Commission. They are now working with the Massachusetts Historical Commission to ensure our application is in good order before formally submitting it.
5. Plan for Historic Preservation: The Longmeadow Historical Commission watched a recorded presentation given by the Massachusetts Historical Commission

about crafting a plan for historic preservation. The key decision that needs to be made now is if this effort will be entirely volunteer based or if a consultant should be hired. Tim voiced support for hiring a consultant using CPA and matching state funding.

6. Longmeadow Historic District Commission 2021 Historic Preservation Award
 - a. Tim confirmed that these awards will be presented at Town Meeting in May.

New Business:

1. 030122 - Columbia Gas, 796 Longmeadow Street - Move gas meter from the inside of the house to the outside on the north side. The application was approved unanimously.
2. 031422 - Columbia Gas, 878 Longmeadow Street - Move gas meter from the inside of the house to the outside on the north side. The application was approved unanimously.
3. 031722 - Benjamin and Anna Kraus, 857 Longmeadow Street - Install a wrought iron gate at the base of the stairs leading to the side entrance on the northward facing side of the house. The application was approved unanimously.
4. Meeting Adjourned at 7: 29 p.m.

Respectfully
Submitted by
Timothy Casey, Chair