

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

Minutes

City of Rochester

Wednesday September 15, 2021

City Hall Annex (second floor conference room)
33 Wakefield Street, Rochester, NH
(These minutes were approved on October 20, 2021)

Members Present
Molly Meulenbroek, Chair
Peter Bruckner
Laura Hainey
Matthew Winders

Members Absent Marilyn Jones Alec Taliaferro

Staff: Crystal Galloway, Planner I

I. Call to Order. Ms. Meulenbroek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from September 1, 2021 were reviewed.

A motion was made by Mr. Winders and seconded by Ms. Hainey to approve the September 1, 2021 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Scenic Salinger, LLC, 10 & 14 North Main Street

Carla GoodKnight of CJ Architects explained the proposed amendment to add a deck to the roof of the Scenic Theater building. She said it will be set back from the street view and tucked in the corner of the two buildings.

Ms. GoodKnight showed the Commission members renderings of the different street views that showed the proposed deck will not be visible from the street.

A motion was made by Mr. Bruckner and seconded by Mr. Winders to approve the amendment to add a roof deck as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Paul Goodwin of Chinburg Properties explained to the Commission the original plan was to salvage and restore the existing windows in the Salinger building however, some of them are too far gone to be salvaged. He said he can replace them in-kind with vinyl windows.

The Commission felt Staff could approve this administratively.

IV. Other Business

A. Election of Vice Chair

Ms. Meulenbroek said she would like to wait until the full commission is present.

B. Other

Mr. Bruckner told the Commission members he met with the two architects who are working on the Hoffman building. He said they showed him three proposals for the center medallion. Mr. Bruckner suggested setting up a subcommittee to oversee the demolition and rebuild. He said the subcommittee will look at the pieces to be saved during the demolition process and hopefully all the precast elements will find a home on the new building. Mr. Winders volunteered to work with Mr. Bruckner.

A motion was made by Ms. Meulenbroek and seconded by Mr. Bruckner to set up a subcommittee to monitor the demolition and rebuild of the Hoffman building. The committee members will be Mr. Bruckner and Mr. Winders. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Winders gave the Commission an update on the historical map he is working on. He said he was able to get in to the Historical Society and found a lot a pictures for the map.

V. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Winders to adjourn at 7:22pm. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Crystal Galloway, Planner I