

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Minutes

City of Rochester

Wednesday October 19, 2022

City Hall Annex (second floor conference room)
33 Wakefield Street, Rochester, NH
(These minutes were approved on November 16, 2022)

Members Present

Molly Meulenbroek, *Chair*Laura Hainey, *City Council Rep.*Jeremiah Minihan
Matthew Winders

Members Absent

Peter Bruckner, absent James Connor, absent

Alternate Members

Staff: Crystal Galloway, Planner I

I. Call to Order

Chair Molly Meulenbroek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Seating of Alternates

No alternates were needed.

III. Public Input

There was no one from the public present to speak.

IV. Approval of August 17, 2022 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Hainey and seconded by Mr. Winders to approve the August 17, 2022 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Review/Input of the fountain selection for the Woodman Park redevelopment

Assistant City Engineer Dana Webber explained the Department of Public Works is redeveloping Woodman Park. She explained where the park is located and the type of improvements that are being made. Ms. Webber showed the Commission historical photos of the original fountain that was located on the site and said she would like the Commission's input on selecting a replacement.

Ms. Meulenbrock asked what type of material the new fountain will be. Project Manager Stephanie Hubbard of Wright-Pierce explained it will be pre-cast stone which is supposed to weather like natural stone.

Ms. Webber reviewed the fountain choices. The Commission picked the Campania Charleston Fountain in Basin because it is the closest match to the original fountain. There was a brief discussion regarding the size of the fountain. Ms. Hubbard said the base will measure 8.7 feet in diameter and will be 96 inches in height.

The Commission discussed color but felt they couldn't make a choice without seeing a sample of the actual product. Ms. Webber said she would try to get some samples together for November's meeting.

VI. Approval of No Negative Effect:

- A. Mark Zoeller, 68 South Main Street, Map 120 Lot 324 New Sign
- B. Russell Collins, 42-50 South Main Street, Map 120 Lot 366 New Sign

Ms. Galloway reviewed the two administrative approvals.

VII. Other Business/Non-Scheduled Items

Ms.Meulenbrock gave an overview from the joint meeting that was held in August with all the Chair and Vice Chair's of the City's Land Use Board. She said City Staff is hoping to hold a meeting with all of them twice a year.

Ms. Meulenbrock told the Commission there will be an initial meeting with the consultant held Monday October 24th for the Cultural and Historic Master Plan.

Ms. Meulenbrock let the Commission know Marilyn Jones submitted her resignation from the Commission effective immediately because she is no longer able to attend evening meetings.

VIII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Winders and seconded by Ms. Hainey to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Crystal Galloway, *Planner I*