

FARMINGTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING

February 20, 2024

Present for the hybrid meeting were Chair Bombara, Commissioners Calciano, Lawson, Mix, Phelan and Alternate Commissioners Gemski and Sanford. Town Planner Rutherford and Clerk Michaud were also present. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present in the Council Chambers were Town Planner Rutherford, Clerk Michaud and all Commissioners except Commissioner Calciano and Alternate Commissioner Gemski who were present online.

Alternate Commissioner Renehan was absent.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Brickwalk Capital, LLC – 769 Farmington Avenue**

Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to replace damaged front window at 769 Farmington Avenue. Patrick Downend, Brickwalk Capital, LLC, stated the large front casement window was hit, damaging the frame and breaking the glass. He proposed to replace the damaged window with a Lincoln aluminum clad casement window. Mr. Downend said the grid pattern will remain the same as existing. Commissioners asked general clarifying questions about the proposed window and came to a consensus that the new window is an appropriate replacement.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 5:09 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Lawson/Phelan) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Brickwalk Capital, LLC application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to replace damaged front window at 769 Farmington Avenue as presented and on file in the Planning Office.

**Brickwalk Capital, LLC – 2 High Street**

Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install propane tanks with stockade fence enclosure at 2 High Street. Patrick Downend, Brickwalk Capital, LLC, said over the next couple of years he would like to move away from oil and use propane. He is proposing to install two 125-gallon propane tanks with a Yarmouth Stockade fence by Cape Cod Fence Co. The fence is white cedar with round posts. The fence enclosure proposed is five feet by ten feet. Mr. Downend said he plans to plant shrubs around the enclosure to soften the appearance. During discussion the Commissioners asked for confirmation on the height and location of the tanks and fence enclosure. The site plan was used to demonstrate the location. Mr. Downend responded the fence panels are six feet tall.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 5:18 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Lawson/Calciano) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Brickwalk Capital, LLC application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install propane tanks with stockade fence enclosure at 2 High Street as presented and on file in the Planning Office, with the planting of shrubs to minimize the appearance of the fence.

Robert Mandel – 93 Main Street

Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install skylight at 93 Main Street. Robert Mandel stated they would like to install a Velux Fixed Skylight with a rough opening of 21” x 37” to match the size of another skylight on the roof. Photos were provided to demonstrate the proposed location. The additional skylight will not alter the character of the home. Commissioners offered general favorable comments about the home and the work the Mandel’s have done over the past couple of years.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 5:22 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Lawson/Phelan) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Robert Mandel application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install skylight at 93 Main Street as presented and on file in the Planning Office.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

No Other Business.

**STAFF REPORT**

No Staff Report.

**MINUTES**

December 19, 2023 Minutes

Upon a motion made and seconded (Lawson/Calciano) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the December 19, 2023 Farmington Historic District Commission meeting minutes.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

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