Unionville Historic District and Properties Commission July 7, 2016 Minutes

Present: Lisa Johnson, Sherry Horton, Matt Ross, Bob Hoffman, Howard Martin (alternate),

Shannon Rutherford (Assistant Town Planner)

Absent: Diana Meyer (alternate), Chris Forster (alternate), Matt Pogson

Guests: Matt Blume, Chief of Engineering Services

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Approval of Minutes: June 2 minutes (Martin/Hoffman) (M/S/A)

Matt Blume presenting on the CT-177 and CT-4 road project.

- New crosswalk at Bike Trail
 - Turn lanes at New Britain Ave.
 - Upgraded technology to allow separated crosswalk signals
 - New sidewalks and streetlights to mimic the North side of bridge
 - New traffic signal at 177 and 4.

The Commission supports the changes as proposed.

Motion that CT-177/CT-4 road improvements do not require a COA for the changes presented (Johnson/Martin) (M/S/A)

Walking Tours

- Walking Tour books have been produced and distributed to Commissioners
- School and Public Libraries should get a copy, as well as Town Council members, Museums, Historical Society, Sanford & Hawley, and Scully, Nicksa, & Reeve. A letter should also accompany the copy.
- We will have about 160 copies, and charge \$3 per copy. The Unionville Museum and Library will be contacted about selling the copies on our behalf.
- Lisa will work on a poster for the sale.

Guidelines

• Motion to approve the amended guidelines as presented (Horton/Hoffman) (M/S/A)

Other Business

- Diana Meyer has officially resigned from the Commission. Diana has been involved in the formation of the district from day one including the study report as well as the early efforts to establish the Unionville Historic District. Her work in the Unionville area should be commended.
- No updates on the Roaring Brook project.
- Unionville Festival is coming up on September 25th
- Shannon provided information on the Union School lighting project including preliminary design of the light posts. Commissioners are pleased with the aesthetics of the design and that it is consistent with the surrounding landscape. The commission had a favorable response to the proposed lighting changes.
- Revolutionary War encampment at Polo Grounds next weekend. UHD table and wares.
 - o Howard will man the table on Saturday morning
 - o Lisa will send an email to confirm attendance

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM MJR