

**New Hartford Historic District Commission**  
New Hartford, Connecticut

Commissioners:

Jerry Ecklund, Chairman  
Fran Stoffer, Vice Chairman  
Sibyl Pllum, Clerk  
Gary Colbert  
Michael Lehmann

Alternates:

Susie Horn  
Kay Wall  
open

Public Hearing  
June 1, 2021 @ 55 Church Street

Hearing started at 7:05 p.m. with Gary Colbert, Susie Horn, Fran Stoffer, Kay Wall, and Sibyl Pllum in attendance. Also attending Sean and Catherine (Cat) Kinne. Commission reviewed Application #41 submitted by the Kinnes for installation of roof solar panels at 405 Main Street, Pine Meadow. No objections or negative comments from the commissioners. Commission reviewed Application #42 submitted by Gary Colbert and Jerry Ecklund for repair and replacement of front porch steps at 55 Church Street, Pine Meadow. No objections or negative comments from the commissioners.

Hearing adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Special Meeting  
June 1, 2021 @ 55 Church Street

Meeting called to order at 7:16 p.m. by Vice-Chairman, Fran Stoffer. Gary Colbert, Susie Horn, Fran Stoffer, Kay Wall, and Sibyl Pllum in attendance. Members of the public: Sean and Cat Kinne.

New Business

- Discussion about Application #41 from Sean and Catherine Kinne. No objections, concerns, or negative comments raised by Commission members. Motion by Gary, second by Kay, that the Commission issue Certificate #41 to the Kinnes for solar panels as described in the application. Approved (Gary, Fran, Susan, Kay, Sibyl).
- Discussion about Application #42 from Jerry Ecklund and Gary Colbert. No objections, concerns, or negative comments raised by Commission members. Motion by Sibyl, second by Kay, that the Commission issue Certificate #42 to the applicants for porch step repair as described in the application. Approved (Fran, Susan, Kay, Sibyl). Gary Colbert recused himself.

- Fran presented future meeting dates and commission accepted them, motion by Gary, second by Kay.
  - August 17, 2021
  - October 19, 2021
  - December 21, 2021
  - February 15, 2022
  - April 19, 2022
  - June 21, 2022
- All officers have agreed to continue in their current positions: Jerry Ecklund, Chairman, Fran Stoffer, Vice-Chairman, Sibyl Pllum, Clerk. Motion by Gary, second by Kay.
- Cat Kinne has agreed to accept appointment to the open alternate commissioner position. Sibyl will contact Town Hall to make the appointment official. All welcomed her to the Commission.
- The increase in bear activity in the district has been noted by several residents and is of concern to all. The resident next door to the Kinnes at 411 Main Street may be putting out food and water for “wildlife”. Giant Steps, the daycare center, has reportedly raised the height of their fence in response to the increase in wildlife traffic (bear, coyote, fox). Gary will contact Town Hall to explore options. This is a serious safety issue for children and pets.

#### Old Business

- Minutes from the January 14, 2020 public hearing and special meeting were approved. Meetings between February 2020 and today were cancelled (Covid pandemic).
- Budget is \$500.00. Legal notice for tonight’s public hearing was \$51.57, remaining balance is \$448.43.
- There were no problems noted about Chapin Park.
- Michael Lehmann was not in attendance, although he confirmed receipt of the agenda to Sibyl. Fran will contact him.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 17.

Respectfully submitted,

Sibyl Pllum

cc: Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk