

**HISTORIC DISTRICT &  
HISTORIC PROPERTY  
COMMISSION**

Allison Sanders, Chair  
Matthew Kehoe, Vice Chair  
William Follett, Clerk  
Helen Whitten  
Gilbert Weatherly

*Alternates*  
Peter Gaboriault  
Lori Fusco



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**MINUTES**  
**Meeting June 6, 2017**  
**7:30 Town Hall Annex**

**I. Call to Order: 7:30**

- a. **Attendance:** Commissioners Sanders, Whitten, Weatherly. Alternate Fusco was seated
- b. **Minutes:** Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 12 were proposed for approval by Weatherly, seconded by Fusco. Approved with no changes by unanimous vote.

**II. Ongoing Business:**

- a. **Demolition Delay request:** 14 Shadow Lane  
This property was severely damaged by a recent fire. House is not listed on the 1989 Cultural Resources Survey. Chair proposed that the demolition go forward. Seconded by Weatherly, no further discussion, approved by unanimous vote.
- b. **Demolition Delay Ordinance Revision:** Chair reports work continues.
- c. **HDC Rules and Procedures revision:** An additional change was made to update Section 2, item 2.3.3.7 : the reference to "Connecticut Historic Preservation Office" to its new name, State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), Department of Economic and Community Development. No change is necessary to section 2, item 2.1 Membership. The September meeting agenda will likely include the required public hearing to update the Rules and Procedures and a Commission vote on all changes proposed.

**III. New Business:**

- a. **Historic Easements:** Commissioner Weatherly has been researching historic easements to see if they might be useful in Wilton. Town of Redding has historic

easements, but Weatherly was unable to make contact with any town official for discussion. He did speak with the not-for-profit organization Historic New England which, for a substantial fee, will handle creating, administering and enforcing historic easements for individuals. They said they handle 105 historic easements in New England. Historic easements require: Desire of owner for easement; donation easement value agreement with photos and historic property documentation; property must be monitored to ensure it is unchanged; enforcement to prevent inappropriate changes; an entity to administer/monitor/enforce. Discussion included contrasting such historic easements with establishing a structure as a local Historic Property.

- b. **AROD/Ridgefield Road:** Chair reported that she attended both public hearings (May 8 and May 22) regarding the AROD. The HDC statement of opinion about the AROD/Ridgefield Road was submitted to P & Z on April 24, and read aloud by the Chair at the public hearing of May 22. Another public hearing will be held on this topic.
- c. **Next meeting:** HDC rules indicate that the Commission does not meet in July or August. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, September 5, 2017 7:30 However, it may be necessary to call a Special Meeting in order to respond to a demolition request, or to some other matter that cannot wait until September.

**IV. Public Comment:** None

**V. Adjourn:** 8:33

Respectfully submitted,  
Allison Sanders, for William Follett, Clerk