

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
April 26, 2023
Ropewalk Room, Town Hall, 26 Court Street, Plymouth, MA

Meeting Called to Order: 7:04 pm

Members in Attendance: James Cahill; Kim Canducci, alternate; Daniel Casieri, vice chair; Anne Mason; Richard Stefani; and Ryan Vayo

Members Absent: Lisa O'Neill, secretary; Michael Tubin, chair; and Scott Vecchi, alternate

Minutes:

MOTION to approve the minutes of March 22, 2023 as amended via email by Mr. Vayo, second by Mr. Stefani; approved unanimously.

MOTION to approve the minutes of April 12, 2023 by Mr. Vayo, second by Mr. Cahill; approved unanimously.

Venture Solar

17 Chilton Street
Certificate of Appropriateness for solar panels
Petitioner/Presenter: Tristan Souza

Case #23-43

FORMAL

The applicant shared photographs of the house with the proposed solar panels superimposed on it, as requested by the Commission at the informal hearing. These photographs showed that the panels would be minimally visible from the public way.

MOTION to approve by Mr. Cahill, second by Mr. Vayo; approved unanimously.

Pete Decola

10 Samoset Street
Certificate of Appropriateness for siding
Petitioner/Presenter: Pete Decola

Case #23-45

FORMAL

The applicant requested permission to install LP SmartSide lap siding, an engineered wood product. He stated that he is unable to get the product without the grained texture. He confirmed that the existing clapboards are 4" wide and the final installation of the siding will have 4" exposed to duplicate their appearance. The finish will be Quarry Gray to match the existing color.

MOTION to approve by Mr. Cahill, second by Mr. Stefani; approved unanimously.

Bonnie Hobson

Case #23-49

34 Middle Street

INFORMAL

Certificate of Non-Applicability for replacement windows

Petitioners/Presenters: Bonnie and John Hobson (property owners), Travis Halliday (contractor)

The applicants wish to replace two windows on the west side of the first floor with Integrity Traditional Double Hung Wood-Ultrex windows (painted white). These windows were approved in 2017 for the front of the house. The Commission had no objection to the project proceeding as outlined.

Mark Schmidt (Mayflower Society)

Case #23-54

18 Winslow Street

INFORMAL

Certificate of Non-Applicability for replacement gutters

Petitioner/Presenter: none present

The applicant wishes to replace the existing gutters with Duragutter gutters with a historically correct profile. The Commission had no objection to the project proceeding as outlined.

Town of Plymouth

Case #23-46

30 Water Street

FORMAL

Certificate of Appropriateness for reconstruction of Brewster Gardens stairs

Petitioner/Presenter: none present

The Town plans to install a set of stairs to connect Brewster Gardens and Main Street Extension.

MOTION to approve by Mr. Stefani, second by Mr. Vayo; approved unanimously.

New Business: The Commission discussed the Water Street sewer project, which has been paused after ground movement damaged several foundations. The members expressed concern that if the project continues, other buildings on the historic waterfront could also be damaged.

MOTION to adjourn by Dr. Mason, second by Mr. Cahill; approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Mason

Secretary pro tempore