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## **Hebron Historic District Commission**

### Minutes of Meeting May 8, 2023

**Historic District Commission Members Present:** John Dunklee, Mark Braley; Curtis Mooney, Aaron Mason; Anne Bryan; Chris Laux, and Carol Bears

**Absent:** Paul Hazelton,

**Others Present:** Reed Alexander, Kelsey Berry, Garry Lahey, Mavis & David Brittelli, Christopher Bartina

**Time Convened:** 7:00 PM **Time Adjourned:** 7:52 PM **Next Meeting:** TBD

John Dunklee called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Reed Alexander had questions concerning the new building purposed for the Town Library and Community Room. He was questioning the retaining wall that was being removed and the windows not conforming and the change in the slope of the land. He wanted to know if the Historic District approved the project. John Dunklee explained that the Town did not have to follow all the rules and regulations.

The members of the Historic Board walked over the house belong to Kelsey Berry and Michael Carrigan to go over the changes that they would like to make to their property. Kelsey explained that she was planning to replace the pickets on the fence in front of the house and repainting it white. Going to the back of the property Kelsey point out how the deck would be changed making is a little longer and stairs would be done they would not be a steep as they are now. They are planning to use cedar for the decking and white composite for the railing.

Next, they reviewed the Town Common with member of the Town Common Beautification Committee. Garry Lahey explained that the Town hired an arborist to review the trees in the common. He indicated that three trees would be removed and were looking to plant 9 trees mostly Maple and Oak. They would like to move the Bocce Court over by the generator on the side of the Town Office. Several members thought it should be placed on the side of the Safety Building on Groton Road.

Moving back to the Office a motion was made by Curtis Mooney and seconded by Mark Braley to approve the application presented by Kelsey Berry and Michal Carrigan. The vote was in the affirmative with everyone voting in favor.

Kelsey Berry was asked if she was interest in becoming a HDC Member and she did express and interest so John Dunklee with check with the Select Board about her becoming a member.

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There was more discussion on the improvements to the common. Questions were asked who would be making sure the trees and shrubs were watered properly especially when the trees were young. Garry Lahey indicated that they planned to do the planting in the fall as the cooler grounds were better for trees just being planting.

A motion was made to support the Common Committee with the tree planting plans subject to a maintenance plan in place and the moving of the Bocce Court to beside the Safety Building. The motion was made by Mark Braley and seconded by Curtis Mooney. The vote was in the affirmative with everyone voting in favor.

The minutes of the March 13, 2023 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Anne Bryan and seconded by Chris Laux. The vote was in the affirmative.

Mark Braley moved to adjourn and was seconded by Anne Bryon and everyone voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carol Bears, Secretary