

Wiscasset Historic Preservation Commission

Minutes, 12/21/17

Present: John Reinhardt, Gordon Konrath, Wendy Donovan

1) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm

2) Consideration of minutes

Al moved to accept the minutes of the 11/16/17 meeting as presented. The motion passed 3-0.

3) Certificate of Appropriateness review

The COA applicant scheduled for this meeting has asked to reschedule until February as his contractor is not available.

4) Public comment

Susan Blagden stated that she hopes we are all working on finding more commissioners. We need 2 more commissioners plus an alternate.

5) Discussion of modifications to the Historic Preservation Ordinance

We should think about what we want to see changed to make the process easier for people and more user-friendly. Kim dolce has asked for changes to the COA application, to consolidate it to a single sheet. Susan Blagden has said she will work on that for our next meeting.

John brought up a Coastal Journal article regarding the new condos being constructed in Bath. Does Wiscasset have a height restriction for new construction?

The commission discussed developing a list of local contractors who are interested in working on older homes. A contractor wishing to be included on the list would need to provide 3 references, and a description of what sort of work they do. The list would not constitute a recommendation by the commission, but rather a resource.

6) New business

Al brought up an earlier discussion about looking into what it took to become a part of Maine Street USA. Wendy will look into getting that information from a contact at Maine St Bath.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm

The next commission meeting will be Thursday, January 4 at 5:00 pm.

