

Wallingford Historic Properties Commission

November 21, 2019
Minutes

In attendance: Kimberly Lode-Dellaselva, Chair, Ray Ross (regular), Bob Prentice (alternate).
Barbara Sibley (regular).

Absent: Tara Knapp (regular); Cheryl Christie Collett (regular); Maria Santiago (alternate);
Jean Garcia (alternate).

Public: Richard Straub, Michael Womelsdorf, Paul Womelsdorf, Steven Lazarus

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chair Kimberly Lode-Dellaselva.
2. Statement of Application for Certificate of Appropriateness: Wallingford Historic Preservation Trust – Nehemiah Royce House, 538 North Main Street, Wallingford.
3. Application Presentation: Richard Straub on behalf of the Wallingford Historic Preservation Trust (WHPT) presented the proposal to construct a 4 foot by 4 foot well house to conceal the view of the existing electric service box. This will cover the unsightly and historically inaccurate electric utility service from view in front of the house. Michael Womelsdorf added that the square structure will be sided on all four sides with wooden lattice on three sides to provide access to the electric meter which faces the house. It will have a peaked roof. It will be painted white.
4. Wallingford Historic Properties Commission Questions: Bob Prentice asked if pressure treated wood and cement footing will be used in construction. Answer: Yes. Kimberly Lode-Dellaselva asked if it is known why the electric meter was put in this place. Answer: It is unknown why the meter was put exactly there. Richard Straub included that cedar shingles will be used and that the Wallingford Building Dept. will have to inspect the structure when completed. The general state of the Royce House was given. Motion to end the question period passed.
5. Public Comment: There was no comment from the public.
6. WHPC Action: Brief discussion by WHPC to approve the application. Motion to approve the application for a Certificate of Appropriateness by Kimberly Lode Dellaselva. Motion approved by Sibley, Ross and Prentice.
7. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kimberly Lode-Dellaselva, WHPC Chair