

# ENFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2020 – 7:00 PM  
VIRTUAL OFFICESUITE MEETING

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### **Call to order**

Chairman Tatoian called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Chairman Tatoian designated Commissioner Marie Troiano to act as the secretary. Chairman Tatoian appointed Commissioner Lillian as a voting member.

### **Roll call**

Acting Secretary Troiano called the roll. Present for the meeting were Chairman Richard Tatoian, Vice Chairman Raymond Gwozdz, Clerk Nancy Smyth (7:06pm), Commissioner Marie Troiano, Commissioner Lillian Troiano (Alternate), Commissioner Linda Fallon (Alternate).

Also present: Jennifer Pacacha, Assistant Town Planner  
Jacob Nadeau, New Commissioner  
Alexis Nai, Recording Secretary

### **Approval of Minutes**

a. *Special Meeting of November 20, 2019*

Commissioner Gwozdz motioned to approve the minutes of November 20, 2010. Commissioner Fallon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**Vote:** The vote was 5-0-0. The minutes were approved.

### **Old Business**

None

### **Reading of Legal Notice**

Clerk Smyth read the legal notice.

### **Public Hearing(s)**

- a. **HDC# 457** – 1182 Enfield Street – Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a fence and a pool on the property; Paul Majewicz, owner/applicant; Map 20/Lot 140; HR-33 Zone.

Paul Majewicz spoke on behalf of the application. He stated they are having pool contractor install an in-ground pool in back yard. The pool will be lagoon shape with white privacy fence for barrier.

Chairman Tatoian confirmed the property is on corner of Spier Avenue and Enfield Street.

Mr. Majewicz stated the proposed fence would be six feet tall.

Chairman Tatoian questioned if the fence would be along Spier Avenue.

Mr. Majewicz stated the fence would not really be visible from Spier. The fence will be toward the right rear from Enfield Street

Chairman Tatoian questioned if there will be a patio around the pool.

Mr. Majewicz stated there will be pavers around the in ground pool.

Commissioner Smyth stated she noticed there is pool access from the garage. She questioned if that is a solid wood door. She also noted the plan shows a short wall and an opening on either side.

Mr. Majewicz stated that part referenced is the cement slab that goes out to the backyard. There is a metal door leading from the breezeway to the backyard.

Commissioner Troiano questioned if the applicants will be adding any shrubbery in front of the fence.

Mr. Majewicz stated he did not plan to, but will be willing to put some arborvitaes to soften the look.

The Commission discussed the arrangement of the pool per the exhibits.

Mr. Majewicz stated the long side of the pool would be facing Spier Ave.

Commissioner Troiano questioned if there is currently a black fence alongside the property.

Mr. Majewicz confirmed there is a black fence.

Commissioner Gwozdz confirmed the only thing visible from Enfield Street would be the two panels from and 1-2 panels visible from Spier Avenue.

Commissioner Gwozdz questioned how far the house is from Enfield Street.

Mr. Majewicz stated it sits about 140 feet from Enfield Street.

Chairman Tatoian opened the hearing to the public.

There was no public participation.

Motion: Commissioner Troiano (A) motioned to approve HDC #457 with the condition that vegetation is planted in front of the fence panels visible to Enfield Street along with the general standard conditions. Commissioner Troiano seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Commissioner Gwozdz noted everything in the presentation is appropriate for the area. Commends their willingness to add shrubbery.

Vote: The application was approved 5-0-0.

**RESOLUTION: MOTION TO APPROVE** HDC #457 1182 Enfield Street – Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a fence and a pool on the property; Paul Majewicz, owner/applicant; Map 20/Lot 140; HR-33 Zone. In accordance with the items submitted to the Planning Office under HDC# 453 and with the following conditions of approval:

Condition to plant vegetation in front of the fence panels visible to Enfield Street and the following general conditions:

**General Conditions**

1. This approval is for the specific use, site, and structure identified in the application. Any change in the nature of the use, site, or the structure will require new approvals from the Enfield Historic District Commission.
2. A building permit for the construction of facilities as approved must be obtained within 24 months of approval or this approval shall be rendered null and void, unless an extension is granted by the Commission.
3. All construction authorized by this approval shall be completed within five (5) years or this approval shall be considered null and void, unless an extension is granted by the Commission.
4. By acceptance of this permit and conditions, the applicant and owner acknowledge the right of Town staff to periodically enter upon the subject property for determining compliance with the terms of this approval.
5. The conditions of this approval shall be binding on the applicant, land owners, and their successors and assigns.
6. Applicant is to obtain all appropriate Land Use Commission approval(s) or Zoning Permits as required by the regulation(s) and ordinance(s).

Once the project is completed applicant is to apply for a Certificate of Zoning Compliance

- a. **HDC# 458** - 1436 Enfield Street - Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for a propane cages; Ragnauth Property Management, owner/applicant; Map 18/Lot 46; HR-33.

Neither the applicant nor the contractor were present on the call to speak on behalf of the application.

Ms. Pacacha stated she could speak on behalf of it or put it on the next agenda.

Chairman Tatoian stated he would prefer the applicant was present regarding the nature of the meeting.

Ms. Pacacha noted owner forwarded the meeting to the contractor but never heard anything more.

Chairman Tatoian stated there is a large ice chest where they are selling ice and the cage would be on the other side. He would like the Commission to ask them questions about it and have a picture of what the cage looks like.

Ms. Pacacha stated they did share a picture in the packet.

Commissioner Troiano (A) stated she thinks they need someone present to answer questions on this application.

Chairman Tatoian questioned if they would be installing the cages on a slab.

Ms. Pacacha stated she thinks that is a building code requirement.

Commissioner Fallon stated looking at the picture, she does not see where there is any kind of slab. There is only grass.

Chairman Tatoian recommended making a motion to table until we can get the applicant present.

Commissioner Gwozdz noted they have several questions they need the applicant or contractor to answer.

Ms. Pacacha stated she would ask for more clarifications regarding the application.

Chairman Tatoian questioned if the fire marshal needs to approve since the cages are against the building. Usually they are outside in a cage away from the building. This is concerning since the building is from the 1800's.

Ms. Pacacha stated she would pass this on to the fire marshal for review/comment.

Commissioner Gwozdz questioned if the icebox requires a certificate of appropriateness.

Chairman Tatoian does not recall an application for an ice machine.

Commissioner Gwozdz motioned to table HDC#458 until the Wednesday June 24, 2020 meeting. Commissioner Smyth seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Vote: The vote was 5-0-0.

### **Correspondence**

In the planning office, there is a new assistant town planner, Susanna Majewicz. Raquel Ocasio left. Pam Schweitzer is retiring. There are many applications coming in. They are running the dining patios through their office so the enforcement officers are very busy.

Nelson has been busy, but should be back soon for an update with current inventory projects going on.

Enforcement is on hold during COVID. Rick Rachele is in sessions submitting for outdoor dining.

Commissioner Gwozdz questioned if the Commission would entertain a special meeting for application HDC#458.

Chairman Tatoian noted they would gather the additional information needed to proceed and figured out what transpired before making a decision on a special meeting.

**Other Business**

None

**Enforcement**

None

**Adjournment**

Commissioner Smyth motioned to adjourn at 7:35 PM Commissioner Fallon seconded the motion.

Vote: The vote was 5-0-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

**Note:** Historic District Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday June 24, 2020.