

# Town of Salisbury

# 5 Beach Road Salisbury, Massachusetts 01952

# RING'S ISLAND HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE

### **MINUTES:**

April 17, 2019 at 4:00 at Ring's Island Community House, Fourth Street, Salisbury.

Meeting opened at4:04.

#### PRESENT:

Diane Dondero Bobbi Klima Lance Wisniewski Chris Hillios

Stephen Roth Dave Tremblay Dave Rooney Jerry Klima

Item 1 Review/Approve Minutes; No Minutes were available for review...

# Item 3 Discuss Bylaw Legal Review Status

This agenda item was taken out of order because the Town's lawyers had completed their review of the NPD bylaw and provided some comments and a few revisions. These were discussed and changes were made in the text of the bylaw.

Chris Hillios made a motion, seconded by Lance Wisniewski, as follows

"To approve the changes as recommended by Town Counsel and to adopt a revised definition of Demolition as discussed by the committee, replacing the words "significant parts" with the words "50% or more".

The motion was passed.

## Item 2 Discuss Status of Action Items, in particular the vote on the Warrant item

All Committee members present signed the petition to place the warrant article containing the NPD bylaw on the Warrant for Town Meeting scheduled for May 20, 2019.

The committee discussed whether to submit the petition and the warrant article on or before the official deadline of April 19, 2019. Given that there were a few residents who had not yet decided whether to participate in the district, submitting on April 19 was chosen.

Item 4 Discuss base map of Historic District Study proposed area - Whom to Include

The committee discussed whether the list of participants and the map could be changed after the warrant article containing the NPD bylaw was submitted to the Selectmen. Jerry Klima said that it could not be changed until Town Meeting when amendment to the warrant article could be offered.

Lance Wisniewski made a motion, seconded by Bobbi Klima, as follows:

"The RIHDSC authorizes the Vice Chair to make changes to the map and list of participants up until they are submitted to the Town on Friday, April 19."

The motion was passed

Item 5 Other Items not on the agenda None.

Item 6 Review Action Items assigned / accepted None.

Item 7 Schedule date, time and location for next meeting and/or *meeting with the Town Manager* 

No meeting was scheduled at this time.

#### Item 8 Comments by visitors

Steve Roth commented that he found it very disappointing that this important meeting was scheduled at a time that was very inconvenient for working people to attend. He said that, in general, town board or committee meetings are held at a later hour so that transparency is intact, allowing the opportunity for more people to attend. Committee meetings should be inclusive and provide

transparency. Scheduling this meeting during normal business hours made it nearly impossible for residents who have work obligations to attend.

Committee members expressed regret and agreed that Steve made a valid point. While the committee had tried to provide transparency via the website and the informational meeting, each of which was scheduled at a more convenient time, it made a mistake in scheduling this final meeting during working hours.

Item 9 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at4:57