EAST HADDAM HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Town of East Haddam

Municipal Office Complex

1 Plains road

P.O. Box 385

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Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 7:30 pm

Municipal Office Complex

Meeting Room 1

Minutes

**Members present:** Will Brady, Keith Bunnell, David Nelson, Steve Rossi, and Karl Stofko

**Others Present:** Izzabell Lovejoy, Jack Lovejoy, David Lovejoy, Carol O'Hare, and Rebecca Wonneberger (recording secretary)

**Call to Order:** The regular meeting of the East Haddam Historic District Commission was called to order by chairman Brady at 7:40 pm. After resolving some technical difficulties with the broad casting equipment Mr. Brady appointed Dr. Stofko to vote in place of Ms. Miller.

**Informal discussion:**

Chairman Brady stated the Lovejoy's of 5 Landing hill road are new owners of the property and appeared before the commission to have an informal discussion about some work that needs to be done to the raised patio and terrace because it is causing safety issues. Mr. David Lovejoy stated they had consulted with a structural engineer about the amount of water that was leaking into the house and the safety of the existing patio and terrace. The structural engineer has found the existing terrace and patio to be unsafe. Picture of the currant structure were presented to the commission at this time. Mr. Lovejoy he had contacted chairman Brady about removing some of the masonry work so it did not collapse into the house. Mr. David Lovejoy also stated the raised patio and terrace were not original to the house they had been added in the late 1980's he also stated as some of the masonry work had been removed it had shown some original fieldstone that was most likely part of an original part of the patio. A sketch of the plains for the new patio were presented. Mr. David Lovejoy also stated they would like to discuss the further restoration of the home. Further discussion about the commissions protocol for repairs ensued.

Mr. Jack Lovejoy prepared a presentation to the commission about the history of the house and presented photographs to the commission. He also stated the original shutters were still in the basement and was hoping to have them restored and put back onto the house. Dr. Stofko stated

because of the age of the house the original shutters were probably on the inside of the house Mr. David Lovejoy stated they had been repurposed on the inside of the house and were made into closet doors. Further discussion about lighting and restoration plans for the house ensued. At the end of the presentation Mr. Rossi and Mr. Bunell encouraged Mr. Jack Lovejoy to attend the meetings and apply to be on the commission once he was 18 and registered to vote. Ms. O'Hare stated that she was very happy to see the house in the hands of people who would restore it to the way it was. The Lovejoy's were reminded an application would need to be submitted to the town by next Tuesday inorder to beon the agenda for the June meeting.

**Chairman's report** none

**Adjournment :** There being no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Dr. Stofko the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Wonneberger

Recording Secretary