



## *New Bedford Historical Commission*

March 2, 2015 – 6:00 PM - **Minutes**

Ashley Room, City Hall, 133 William Street New Bedford, MA

### ***Members Present:***

Diana Henry, Chairman  
Jill Maclean  
Anne Louro  
Corey Pacheco

### ***Members Absent:***

Bill Barr  
Keri Cox  
Bill King  
James Lopes

### ***Secretary:***

Anne Louro

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#### 1. Call to Order:

D. Henry called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m., confirming a quorum.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the last meeting were not yet prepared.

#### 3. PUBLIC HEARING: CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS:

**23 Centre Street- new signage.** Applicant Neil Weiss presented the new application for signage and confirmed that it was the same design and location as was presented in November 2014, but with the use of a new manufacturer and installer. The Secretary did not have the specifications from the new sign manufacturer, however the applicant had them and could forward to the Secretary.

The Secretary suggested to the board that if the specifications of the signage met the criteria of the District Signage, that rather than table the matter, they may wish to consider granting the certificate with the condition that staff review and approve the sign specifications.

**A motion to open the public hearing was moved by J. Maclean and seconded by C. Pacheco. All voted in favor and the motion passed unanimously.**

*Public comments in favor:* None.

*Public comments not in favor:* None.

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*Public comments recorded not in favor:* None

**A motion to close the public hearing was moved by C. Pacheco and seconded by J. Maclean. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**

**A motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness as presented with staff approving the final specifications of materials was moved by J. Maclean and seconded by C. Pacheco. A roll call was taken and the motion passed unanimously 4-0.**

#### 4. Old Business:

- The retaining wall which was approved at 50 No. Second Street was briefly discussed with Jan da Silva informing board members that there has been no response to inquiries from Mr. Fentress.
- A. Louro informed members of the City Council vote regarding the demolition of the Ice House and the Sarah D. Ottiwell School.

5. New Business:

- *Review of Application Fees.*  
**A motion to table discussion to the next meeting was moved by J. Maclean and seconded by C. Pacheco.**  
**A roll call was taken and the motion passed unanimously 4-0.**

6. Communications:

None

7. Date of Next Meeting: The next regular commission meeting was scheduled for 04.06.15.

8. **There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was moved by C. Pacheco and seconded by J. Maclean. All voted in favor and the motion passed.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:40p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Louro  
Secretary to the commission

*Approved April 6, 2015*