

# Town of Colchester

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## HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Monday, June 26, 2023

Town Hall, Meeting Room 1

Special Meeting

### MINUTES

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**Members Present:** E. Sharon, Chairman, T. Congdon, R. Kvederas, S. Stefanowicz, H.J. Smith

**Absent:** L. Akerman

**Also Present:** D. Sorrentino, Planning Director, S. Churchill, Land Use Assistant, I. Kisluk, ZEO, D. Turner BOS Liaison

1. Call to Order – Chairman Sharon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm
2. Additions to Agenda – None
3. Minutes of Previously Held Meeting – **May 8, 2023** Motion by T. Congdon to approve the minutes as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Kvederas. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.
4. Five Minute Session for Public – None
5. Public Hearings
  - a. **COA 2023-003** of the Van Cleve House, LLC 184 South Main Street MBL#12-00/029-000 to replace asbestos shingle siding with beveled cedar clapboard, replace and repair damaged soffit, fascia and trim with like materials and design. Chairman Sharon recused herself due to also being the applicant. H.J. Smith was seated for the vote. Chairman Sharon gave the commission an overview of the application and explained that there was a large tree that fell on the house in December during a storm. The tree caused extensive damage to the exterior of the house. Interior damage was also done. The house has asbestos siding and lead paint. Both will be remediated. The contractor was given the HDC Handbook to work from when developing the plan for repairs. No new details will be added, however the house will be resided in cedar to match the way it originally looked. Motion by S. Stefanowicz to close the public hearing. 2<sup>nd</sup> by T. Congdon. Vote was unanimous, public hearing closed. Motion by T. Congdon to approve application COA2023-003. 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Stefanowicz. Vote was unanimous, motion carried.  
Chairman Sharon rejoined the commission.
6. New Applications – None
7. Old Business

a. Update on electric box relocation project – D. Sorrentino provided an update stating the project has gone out to bid. He will be the contact person for inquiries.

8. New Business

a. School for Colored Children – window repairs needed (broken glass, reglazing, paint) – The building for the School for Colored Children was a donation to the town by the Liverant Family in 2017. Vandalism occurred to the building and windows were broken. The windows are antique and were showing some damage before they were broken, so repairs will require all new caulk, paint on the sills and glass replacement. D. Sorrentino will contact Public Works to get the repairs started. The project may have to go out to bid.

9. Communications – None

10. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by S. Stanowicz. 2<sup>nd</sup> by T. Congdon. Vote was unanimous, meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: S. Churchill, Land Use Assistant