

**TOWN OF GILMANTON
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
ACADEMY BUILDING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2016 – 7 PM**

MINUTES

Present: Chair Ernie Hudziec, Allen Everett, Matt Grasberger, Betty Ann Abbott,

Also present: Annette Andreozzi (Land Use Admin.)

Absent: Marshall Bishop (Selectmen's Rep), Roy Buttrick (alternate)

Chair Hudziec opened the meeting at 7 PM with introductions.

General Public comments

There were no members of the public present.

Old Business

2017 budget

There was a discussion of the budgeted money spent so far in 2016. Ms. Abbott stated that if the budget request was decreased the decrease should only be 10% to allow for possible increase of activity.

The consensus of the Commission was to ask for a total of \$4543 for 2017.

Discussion on hardship applications

Mr. Hudziec handed out copies of hardship definitions from MA.

He read:

Certificate of Hardship

A Certificate of Hardship is issued when construction or alteration is deemed inappropriate, yet the commission has determined that denial of a certificate would constitute a hardship, financial or otherwise, on the property owner. In each case, the proposed work should not conflict substantially with the purposes of the bylaw or the design guidelines. Furthermore, it should not relate generally to other property owners in the district. It should be a specific hardship to an individual property owner, based on unique circumstances affecting the owner's property.

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There was discussion and conclusion that the Commission should continue to look at hardship.

Other Business.

It was noted that Ms. Lemire did not apply to place a propane tank on her property and did not return calls from the office.

There was a review of a letter to be sent out to owners in the historic districts.

Approval of Minutes – October 4, 2016

Motion by Ms. Abbott to accept the minutes as amended. Seconded by Mr. Everett.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Grasberger moved to adjourn. Second by Ms. Abbott.
All in favor.

Adjournment at 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Annette Andreozzi
Land Use Administrator