



**TOWN OF MADISON**  
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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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**Minutes for Monday, March 28, 2022**  
7:00 pm Zoom Online Webinar

MEMBERS present: Chairman John Lind, Vice Chairman Thomas Boyle, and Commissioners Eric Berg and Susan Cartledge.

MEMBERS Absent: None.

ALTERNATES Present: Carol Snow, Denny Van Liew

OTHERS Present: The meeting was available on and recorded through a Zoom online webinar.

**1. Call to Order.** Chairman John Lind called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**2. Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness: 21-1. 61 Liberty Street:** Owner / Applicant: Jaime Hellman; Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to install privacy fence and grate in side yard and front yard.

Jaime and Barbara Hellman presented the application. The application included a site plan showing the location of the proposed fence located north (towards the rear) of the existing front porch from side to side with a gate the width of the driveway on the east side. Additionally, the application included a photo of existing front, a rendering of proposed fence in place, cut sheets of the proposed 6' tall white vinyl fence with black hinges, an aerial photo of immediate neighborhood, and several street photographs of subject and adjacent properties. They indicated a major reason for the fence was security, as there was a recent incident of teenagers running through their yard and subsequently police running through their yard, and they were considered about their privacy as well as the security of their property. A discussion was had about the design and location of the proposed fence, the impact on the property and the neighborhood, the relationship of the proposed fence to the adjacent properties, and designs and materials of other existing fences in the neighborhood.

**Commissioner Eric Berg made the motion to approve the certificate of appropriateness, as stated. The motion was seconded by Carol Snow.**

**The vote to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness was unanimous.**

**Opposed: None.**

**Abstained: None.**

- 3. Discussion / Pre Application: 26 Meeting House Lane:** Owner / Applicant: First Congregational Church. A proposal to add 5 ductless heat pump units to the exterior of the building. 2 flanking the front entry portion of the building and 3 more to the rear.

Architect Garry Leonard presented the proposal for discussion, materials included data for the proposed units which will be white, 38” wide x 32” tall x 13” deep and will include mechanical connections into the building. The locations of the 2 units in front will be located in the corner of the building where the front wing meets the main portion of the building. It was noted that with the slope of the site, the distance to the street, and the location of the units they may be well hidden from the public way and any additional screening to hide them if needed could be some low landscaping. A discussion followed and the Commission had no major concerns and the applicant can proceed with their application which can be formally reviewed at the next available meeting of the Commission.

- 4. Demolition Delay Notification: 677 Durham Road:** Owner: Robert C. Gerard. Applicant: Cherry Hill Construction.

Information provided included 3 photographs of existing house and Demolition Permit Application. The house was built in 1945, and it is 1,584 SF 2 story house. Discussion followed in which it was noted that there is no apparent architectural significance to this house and no known historical significance. It was noted a new larger house has been built directly behind this house at 675 Durham Road.

**Commissioner Tom Boyle made the motion to take no action on this demolition delay notification. It was seconded by Eric Berg.**

**The vote to take no action was unanimous.**

**Opposed: None.**

**Abstained: None.**

- 5. Review and approve minutes:** The no minutes were available for review.

- 6. Correspondence/ New Business.** There was no new business to discuss.

- 7. Adjournment.** Eric Berg made a motion to adjourn. Tom Boyle seconded the motion.

**The vote to adjourn was unanimous.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted, John Lind, Chair

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