

Subject to Approval

**Old Elm Street Study Committee
Regular Meeting, September 26, 2022
7:30 p.m. at Madison Town Campus
Meeting Room B – in person**

MEMBERS Present: Thomas Boyle, Eric Berg, John Lind, Peter Clement, Eric Axberg

MEMBERS absent: Susan Carltedge

ALTERNATES present: Carol Snow, Jayshree Pugh.

ALTERNATES absent: Dennis Van Liew

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Thomas Boyle called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.
2. **Funding/SHPO grant:** Chairman Boyle explained that we are waiting to hear from one of the three consultants for an updated proposal for the Study Report. As soon as the last updated proposal is received, all three will be forwarded to SHPO and the study report should be able to move forward.
3. The 08 /28/22 public meeting from 2-4pm at 390 Boston Post Road at, the home of Tom and Doe Boyle took place as scheduled. Of the 52 invitations that were sent to neighbors in the proposed district, 20 replied and 14 households were represented at the meeting. Chairman Boyle gave a presentation with an overview of historic districts having an emphasis on how they strengthen the sense of community in neighborhoods, including for homeowners whose properties may not yet be considered historic. There was a spirited Q&A session at which all questions were answered by Chairman Boyle, John Lind and other members of the committee. Refreshments were provided by the Boyles and members of the Committee. The general consensus of the committee members was that the meeting was successful. A reporter from the Source newspaper briefly attended and published an article later that week detailing the content of the meeting.
4. Next steps were discussed including a letter to be sent to all members of the proposed district thanking those who came and updating all others on the meeting, It was suggested that the letter link to the Source article. Discussion of a future public meeting took place with suggestions that it be held mid-winter at the Memorial Town Hall.
5. Updates for Barberrry Hill Farm (353 Boston Post Road) and the Winter Club (251 Boston Post Road): Both properties are within the proposed district and both properties have recently been or are on the market. There are currently no applications before the Planning & Zoning Commission for these properties. Chairman Boyle shared information that a developer was still planning a subdivision at the rear of the property at 353 Boston Post Rd with access from Stony Lane and Fort Path Rd.
6. It was decided to discuss prior meeting minutes at the next meeting of the committee in October

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm by unanimous consent.