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Chairman John Baroody called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the following members in attendance by roll call: Betsy Hall, Steve Szalewicz, Alternates Sarah Day, Scot Samuelson and Theo Coulombe. Both Day and Samuelson were made voting members for this meeting. Also present: Edwin and Grace Yowell, Catherine Howard, William Trowbridge and Juliette Moore. Theo Coulombe was welcomed to the Commission. Chair Baroody noted that Lilly Woodworth has resigned – the Commission stated they were grateful for her work and she will be missed.

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:01 with the reading of the legal as it appeared in the Republican American. **49 Main Street:** Mr. and Mrs. Yowell presented their application as the potential purchasers of this property. They reviewed their written application – which was complete with photographs and measurements. It is their intent to remove the existing garage and most of the existing driveway in order to expand a back yard garden. They also wish to place several pieces of art (sculptures) in the back yard, which were described and shown with locations and dimensions. The application includes several plantings, which would create a private back yard and also screen most of the placement of artwork from the public view. With all questions answered, motions of Hall/Szalewicz closed this portion of the hearing at 6:16 with all in favor. **96 Upper Main Street:** This hearing was opened at 6:16 with William Trowbridge presenting the first portion of the application, for a gate and chain addition to the front of the home. The gate was shown by drawings with an example of the center post passed around. Mr. Trowbridge also brought in a portion of the proposed chain. Part 2 of the application is to install awnings on the four long front windows – photographs were shown. Mr. Samuelson stated that the proposed awnings are of the material and style, which is encouraged in the preservation brief. With all questions answered, motions of Szalewicz/Day closed this portion of the hearing at 6:23 with all in favor.

The regular meeting began at 6:23. The agenda was taken in order. The minutes of the previous meeting stood approved as submitted. There was no correspondence.

**Old Business:** Signage—As there may be money left in the budget to purchase signs to be added to the existing ones in town noting “Historic District” – it was agreed that the Commission will vote on this expenditure at the April meeting.

**New Business:** Consideration of Application: **49 Main Street:** With the stated precedent of allowed art sculptures at the Library – motions of Szalewicz/Day approved the application as presented with all in favor. **96 Upper Main Street:** Motions of Hall/Samuelson voted to approve the gate and chain with all in favor. Motions of Day/Szalewicz voted to approve the awnings with one abstention (Hall). Motion passed.

William Trowbridge interrupted the meeting to inquire about proposed work on Christ Church Episcopal. He showed photographs requesting a determination if this work would be considered a repair. He was requested to submit an application to the Commission.

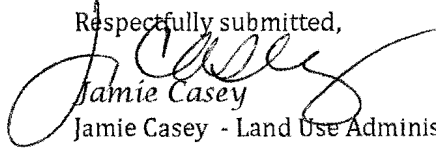
**New Applications Received: None**

Consideration of application for the removal of garden fence at **102 Upper Main Street:** Steve Szalewicz explained that he had applied for and received a Certificate of Appropriateness for the existing garden fencing at his property. They wish to remove the fencing at this time. No action was

deemed to be required as this returns the property to its appearance 20 years ago. Mr. Szalewicz may remove the fence.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 via motions of Szalewicz/Day with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jamie Casey  
Jamie Casey - Land Use Administrator/Clerk

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