

Agenda
Tolland Green Historic District Commission
21 Tolland Green, Tolland, Connecticut
Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., Remote Meeting

Public Hearing

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Reading of Public Notice as appears in the Journal Inquirer
4. Consideration of Application for a COA at 41 Tolland Green to shingle the front porch, shingle pyramid-shaped top section of roof, replace third-floor rear dormer and rear sunroom roof shingles with rubber roofing membrane, and replace gutters and downspouts with like material.
5. Neighbor comments, both for and against
6. Consideration of Application for a COA at 45 Tolland Green to install a security camera to the front door of the building.
7. Neighbor comments, both for and against
8. Consideration of Application for COA at 22 Tolland Green to replace existing free-standing sign and add a new sign to the building
9. Neighbor comments, both for and against
10. Close of Public Hearing

Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Old Business- Tolland Green Historic District Guidelines
4. Miscellaneous
5. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2022 Regular Meeting and February 15, 2023
6. Adjournment

To View Meeting Materials:

See <https://www.tolland.org/historic-district-commission/pages/remote-meeting-packets-audio-recordings>

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Public Hearing

Agenda Item 3

Legal Notice
Tolland Green Historic District Commission

The Commission will hold three Public Hearings on March 15, 2023 at 7:00PM.

1. **41 Tolland Green:** to consider an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness by Kevin Thompson to shingle the front porch and pyramid-shaped section of roof, replace rear dormer and sunroom roof shingles with rubber roofing material, and replace gutters and downspouts.
2. **45 Tolland Green:** to consider an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness by Kevin Thompson to install a security camera on the front of the building.

These applications are online at: <https://www.tolland.org/historic-district-commission/pages/applications-pending> Remote participation will only be allowed. Instructions to participate will be on the agenda, which will be posted by March 13, 2023 at www.tolland.org.

To run twice in the Journal Inquirer on March 8th and March 9th.

Legal Notice
Tolland Green Historic District Commission

The Commission will hold a Public Hearing on March 15, 2023 at 7:00pm to consider an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness by Arts of Tolland Inc. to replace and add a new free-standing sign at 22 Tolland Green. This application is on-line at

<https://www.tolland.org/historic-district-commission/pages/applications-pending>

Only remote participation will be allowed. Instructions to participate will be on the agenda, which will be posted by March 13, 2023 at www.tolland.org

To run once in the Journal Inquirer on March 9th and March 10th

Agenda Item 4



TOLLAND GREEN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Application for a Certification of Appropriateness

Property Information

Property Address: 41 Tollard Green

Property Owner: United Congregational Church of Tollard

Phone Number: 860-875-4160

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: Kevin Thompson

Applicant Address: 65 Noah Lane, Tollard

Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Project Information

Type of Building:

Roofs and gutters at 41 Tollard Green are leaking and require maintenance repair as proposed below. The goal of the repairs is to prevent further leakage and damage with long-life products and professional application.

1. Front porch: Shingle with shingles like existing house roof
2. Roof top pyramid: Shingle with shingles like existing house roof
3. Third floor rear dormer: Replace roof with durable synthetic rubber roofing membrane
4. Rear sunroom roof: Replace roof with durable synthetic rubber roofing membrane
5. Gutters and downspouts: Replace existing gutters and downspouts with like gutters and downspouts

Photos attached for reference.

Estimated Start and Completion Dates:

Start: ASAP

Complete: June 30, 2023

1. Attach a photograph of the existing structure or place to be changed as viewed from the street showing that portion of the structure to be altered, together with a drawing of the proposed alteration or change. 2. Application fee of \$75.00 must accompany application (*make checks payable to Town of Tollard*). 3. Application form, fee, plans, photograph and drawing must be submitted to **Planning & Building Department**. Public Hearings will be scheduled within not more than sixty-five days after the filing of an application.

Certificate of Appropriateness will expire 1 year from date of approval.

This application form and all accompanying plans and materials are accurate and complete:

Applicant Signature: *Kevin Thompson*

Date: 2/26/23

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BY: *LS*

Property Owner Signature:

Date:

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Received & Fee Paid:	2/27/23 \$75.00 ck2002	Hearing Scheduled:	3/15/23
Hearing Advertised:		Action:	
Notice of Action to Applicant:			

* 4/28/23 - 60 Days from application received

1. Front porch from street



2. Roof top pyramid



3. Third floor rear dormer



4. Rear sunroom roof



5. Gutters and downspouts



Agenda Item 6



TOLLAND GREEN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Application for a Certification of Appropriateness

Property Information

Property Address: 45 Tolland Green

Property Owner: United Congregational Church of Tolland

Phone Number: 860-875-4160

Applicant Information

Applicant Name: Kevin Thompson

Applicant Address: 65 Noah Lane, Tolland

Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Project Information

Type of Building:

Install security camera on front of building

Reference

1. Since the Columbine school shooting on April 20, 1999, there have been 23 fatal church shootings. (<https://research.lifeway.com/2020/02/12/how-frequently-do-church-shootings-occur/>)
2. There have been 92 mass (2 or more injured) shootings in 2023. (<https://www.gunviolencearchive.org/reports/mass-shooting>)

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How Frequently Do Church Shootings Occur?

Insights | Church Life & Ministry | Faith & Culture | Feb 12, 2020



Skitterphoto / Pexels

Since the Columbine school shooting on April 20, 1999, there have been 23 fatal church shootings.

By Aaron Earls

Since the Columbine school shooting on April 20, 1999, there have been 23 fatal church shootings. The deadliest was the **2017 shooting** at First Baptist Sutherland Springs in Texas, with 26 deaths including an unborn child.

After three fatal church shootings in 2017, none occurred in 2018 and 2019 until a gunman opened fire at the West Freeway Church of Christ in White

2020 and 2021, four fatal church shootings have already taken place in 2022.

Three church shootings have happened in Texas, Georgia and California, with Texas also being the site of the most deadly. World Changers Church in College Park, Georgia, has been the site of two incidents.

Here are the locations of all the fatal church shootings since Columbine.

- 1999 Wedgewood Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas
- 2001 Greater Oak Missionary Baptist Church in Hopkinsville, Kentucky
- 2002 Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Lynbrook, New York
- 2003 Turner Monumental AME Church in Kirkwood, Georgia
- 2005 Living Church of God in Brookfield, Wisconsin
- 2005 World Changers Church in College Park, Georgia
- 2006 Zion Hope Missionary Baptist in Detroit, Michigan
- 2006 Ministry of Jesus Christ Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- 2007 First Presbyterian Church in Moscow, Idaho
- 2007 First Congregational Church in Neosho, Missouri
- 2007 New Life Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado
- 2008 First Baptist Church in Maryville, Illinois
- 2009 Reformation Lutheran Church in Wichita, Kansas
- 2012 World Changers Church in College Park, Georgia
- 2015 Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina
- 2017 Burnette Chapel Church of Christ in Antioch, Tennessee
- 2017 First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas
- 2017 St. Alphonsus Church in Fresno, California
- 2019 West Freeway Church of Christ in White Settlement, Texas
- 2022 The Church In Sacramento in Sacramento, California
- 2022 Geneva Presbyterian Church in Laguna Woods, California
- 2022 Cornerstone Church in Ames, Iowa
- 2022 St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Vestavia Hills, Alabama

In addition to these incidents at Christian churches, fatal shootings have happened at other religious sites, including at a Jewish synagogue, a Benedictine monastery, a Sikh temple, and an Amish school.

See also **Popularity of Sin Gives the Opportunity to Proclaim Truth**

Prevention of church shootings

Deadly incidents are on the rise at churches, says Carl Chinn, a church security expert. According to **his research**, there had never been a mass murder (four or more killed) associated with a faith-based property before 1963.

Currently, around 4 in 5 Protestant pastors (80%) say their church has some type of security measure in place when they gather for worship, according to a **survey from Lifeway Research**.

The most common form of preparation is making an intentional plan. Almost 2 in 3 pastors (62%) say their church has an intentional plan for an active shooter situation.

Still, Chinn says, "Most churches spend far more time and money training their choir than they do investing in the safety of their staff and guests."

Chinn knows pastors often think the odds are in their favor and more than likely they'll never have to deal with a serious security threat in their church.

“They are absolutely right,” he acknowledges. “Odds are their church will never face a serious threat. But if their congregation does face a serious threat, the odds won’t matter much.”

For those looking to become better prepared, Chinn advises churches to work with other leaders in the area.

“Work with your community first and foremost,” he says. “Know your law enforcement and fellow faith-based safety operators in your area on a first-name basis.”

Working with other safety professionals like those at area schools is also a good idea, according to Chinn. “Don’t be a silo of information,” he says.

For churches looking for simple steps to make themselves more secure, Chinn offers these nine guidelines.

1. Confirm support from your church’s leadership team.
2. Do a baseline readiness evaluation.
3. Start with what you have, where you are.
4. Keep it simple.
5. Keep it legal.
6. Know your insurance agent and policies.
7. Network with your community.
8. Train and drill.
9. Develop policies and procedures.

Aaron Earls

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Aaron is the senior writer at Lifeway Research.

Agenda Item 8



TOLLAND GREEN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Application for a Certification of Appropriateness

Property Information	
Property Address:	22 TOLLAND GREEN
Property Owner:	TOWN OF TOLLAND
Phone Number:	(TOWN MGR'S OFFICE 860-871-3600)

Applicant Information	
Applicant Name:	ARTS OF TOLLAND INC (501-c-3 not-for-profit)
Applicant Address:	P.O. BOX 163 TOLLAND CT 06084
Phone Number:	860-871-7405
Email Address:	artsoftolland73@gmail.com

CONTACT MARY HOSKIN

Project Information	
Type of Building:	1879 POST-BEAM
Nature and description of work to be done as it affects exterior appearance. Attach appropriate drawing or plans giving the position of the house or structure on the site, ground plan of house with proposed addition, and all pertinent elevations showing size and style of windows, dormers, doors, exterior wall finishes, roofing material, chimneys, vents and ornamentation. (If more space needed, attach sheet to application.)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEW SIGN TO BE ADDED TO BUILDING • REPLACE OLD FREE-STANDING SIGN 	
Estimated Start and Completion Dates:	
Start:	TBD
Complete:	

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Applicant Signature:	Mary Hoskin
Date:	March 8, 2023
Property Owner Signature:	
Date:	

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Hearing Advertised:	3/9/23, 3/10/23	Action:	
Notice of Action to Applicant:		HDC Due Date:	5/7/23

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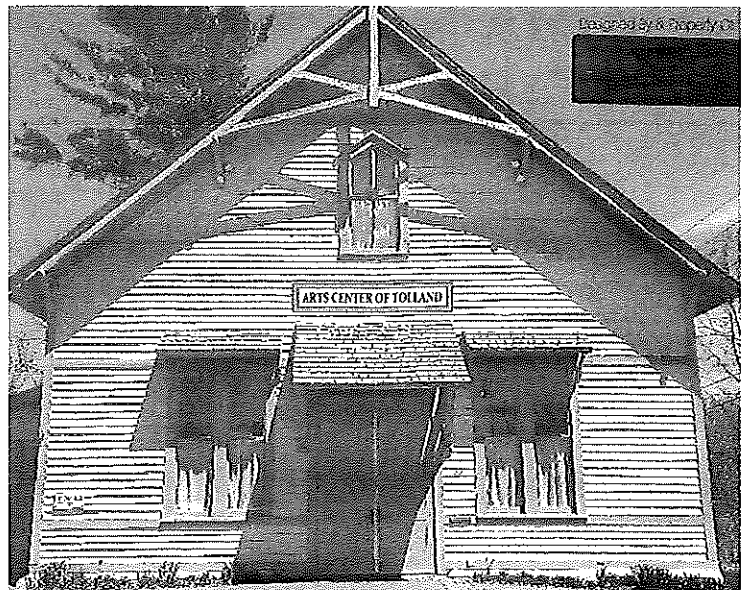
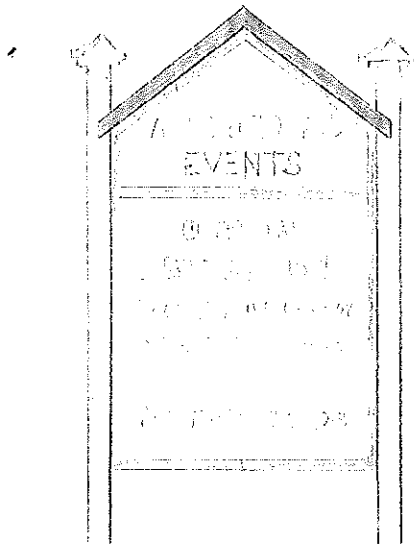
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Application for Improvements to the Signs at the Arts Center



Proposal

- *Replace the current freestanding sign with one that is slightly taller, allowing for more letters. The shape of the sign will mimic the shape of the second floor window of the building.*
- *Add a rectangular sign to the building, to be centered above the “awning” over the front door.*
- *Both signs will be painted to better match the building.*



Background

- Renovation of the 1879 Tolland town hall was completed by Arts of Tolland 1995-1997. Arts of Tolland leases the building from the Town of Tolland.
- In 2002 the Historic District Commission presented an award to Arts of Tolland for its role in preserving the historic building. We remain committed to honoring the history and simple beauty of this valuable piece of Tolland's past.

Current Sign

- The current freestanding sign is over 25 years old, and despite several repairs over the years, needs to be replaced. The company which made the original sign is no longer making signs like this. While gold, “scrolly” signs were in style during the late 1800s, we don’t think that they are a reflection of the practicality and simplicity of this civic building, especially when you look at previous signs.



- One of the sign companies we approached suggested that in addition to replacing the current free-standing sign we also install a sign on the building itself. It will offer better visibility, especially when traffic on the Green is busy. *There is historical precedent to having a sign on the building.*

Historical precedent

None of the photos reproduced below is dated. We believe, however, that they are in chronological order.

1.



2.



3.



4.



During its history the town hall had signs on the building at least twice. In photo #3 the sign is gone, although you can see a faint shadow indicating where a sign once was placed. Photo #4 is the most recent “old” photo; the sign says “Tolland Town Hall.”

Laura Smith

From: Laura Smith
Sent: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 1:08 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: COA Application 22 Tolland Green

Ms. Hoskin,

I spoke with Jodie regarding the application for a COA at 22 Tolland Green. She is requesting some additional information for the application, see below:

- Dimensions of the new sign
- Material the sign will be made of
- What will the letting be (engraved, painted, stickers?)
- Can you provide a sample of the material?

Thank you,

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From: Mary Hoskin <[REDACTED]>
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To: Jodie Coleman-Marzialo
Cc: Brian Foley; arts of tolland; Laura Smith
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Re: COA application for the Arts Center

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Regular Meeting

Agenda Item 5

TOLLAND GREEN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
REMOTE MEETING MINUTES

Public Hearing

1. Call to Order at 7:04 pm by Chair

2. Roll Call

Commissioners: Jodie Coleman-Marzialo, Chair, Michael McGee seated as vice chair for Rod Hurtuk, Ann Deegan, substitute clerk, Celeste Senechal, Kathy Bach. Alternate, John Hughes arrived 7:13.

Guests: Kristopher Farley, Michael Coutu (representative from the solar company), Ian Swift, Ryan Nenninger, Adrian Ajro, Brian Foley (town manager), Jim Paquin (town building).

3. Reading by the chair of the Public Notice as appearing in Journal Inquirer

4. #675 Tolland Stage Road

4.1 Consideration of Application for a COA for 40 Solar panels to be installed on the property at 675 Tolland Stage Road. As the house was built in 2006, it is not a historic property even though it is within the Historic District. The solar inverter would be installed in the back of the house. The 40 panels would be placed on the roof facing the street.

Discussion:

The homeowner stated that the black panels would blend in with his black roof and there would be no reflection. He also stated that this property is ideal for solar and would save him lots of money and put more power back into the grid. Mr. Farley stated that he had studied the national guidelines and they do allow for good faith in these situations. He feels that the focus should be on the bigger picture. These solar panels would be good for Tolland.

It was discussed that the Tolland Green Historic District Commission must conform to the town code relating to solar and quoted from the town code 96-4/5 relating to the preservation of the Green and its historic properties.

K. Bach questioned the need for the additional 10 panels that Kristopher Farley is asking for this time and he stated that he owns a tesla and is interested in having a heat pump installed which would dictate the need for more electricity. The representative from Sun Run solar, Mr. Coutu explained that Kris would need about 20% more electricity if he were to install a heat pump and the extra panels would ensure greater efficiency. Also the electric grid in this area would be more stable.

Mr. McGee questioned an alternative setting but Kris explained that the front being south facing was the perfect place for the panels. Ms. Bach asked whether Kris was aware when he bought the house that it was in a historic district. Mr. Farley said he had been made aware.

It was discussed as to whether this project was a business venture but Mr. Coutu explained that solar companies were not allowed to build systems larger than what was needed by the homeowner. There is a max set at a 102% offset.

Ms. Bach explained that these changes are a balancing act as other homeowners in the district have invested in historic renovations.

5. Comments: The anonymous emails submitted and included in the meeting packet were read into the minutes for the record by the homeowner. Most names and addresses had been redacted.

Katie Murray, 8 Lisa Lane Tolland CT. Katie is the town council liaison to the historic commission. She stated that we need to follow the state statute #97A 7-147F concerning how these panels might impair the district.

Ann Deegan 689 Tolland Stage Road stated that as Kris's next house neighbor I can not really see his house. Although she was not at this point definitely against the solar panels, she did feel that Mr. Farley was not entirely respectful of some neighbors as his messages on face book seemed out of line to her and the fact that after reading the emails it was difficult to tell whether these statements were given by neighbors or even residents of Tolland. At town council meeting people are asked to state their name and address when they request to speak.

6. Motion to close the public hearing at 7:50 PM

7. Consideration of Application for a COA at 89 Tolland Green to remove two rotted garage windows and cover exterior with like siding.

Discussion: The homeowner, Mr. Jick, stated that in his opinion the garage windows could not be seen from the street. He also stated that the garage was added sometime in the 1950s so not historical. K. Bach felt that it has been there for at least 70 years so she

suggested that possible Mr. Jick could cover the side of the garage with siding and then add shutters to make it look the same as before.

It was also discussed as to whether Mr. Jick could come up with other alternatives and reapply with no prejudice. Mr. Paquin said that might be possible.

8. Neighbor comments: none

9. Close of Public Hearing at 8:01 pm

Regular Meeting

10. Call to Order at 8:01 pm by Chair. Roll remains the same.

11. Consideration of COA for 675 Tolland Stage Road for the installation of 40 solar panels on the front south-facing roof of the property.

Motion: McGee/Coleman-Marzialo - To approve the COA for solar panels for 675 Tolland Stage Road.

Deliberation: Ms. Coleman-Marzialo stated that the commissioners realize the house was not there in 1990 when the district was established. It is a colonial style house built with the district in mind however it was built in 2006 and is setback 160 feet.

K. Bach agreed that as there is no other place for the panels so it probably should not be denied.

C. Senechal asked about ground panels like the ones at Monet's Table K.Bach felt that would be a zoning issue.

M. McGee stated that he sees this as a special circumstance so it should possibly be treated differently.

The commission stated the need to have this not set precedent but to be seen as an exception so this should be exclusive to the property.

The motion needs to be amended.

Motion: M. McGee/ C. Senechal To approve the installation of 40 solar panels on the front south facing roof of the property at 675 Tolland Stage Road with the following stipulations:

1. The position of the house on the property:
The house is set back 160 feet from the road and is elevated on a hill.
2. It is the newest property in the district as it was built in 2006.
3. And it was built after the inception of the district.

4. Also it is located toward the end of the historic district.
5. It is not listed as a historic property on the historic registry.
6. There are no other options as a possible location of the solar panels.

Vote: J. Coleman-Marzialo yes, M. McGee yes, K. Bach yes, A. Deegan yes. C. Senechal abstain

Mr. Jim Paquin, from the town building department asked for legal reasons that we each state the reason for our vote so as to avoid any confusion or misconceptions.

K. Bach stated that she had been persuaded due to the stipulations and special circumstances stated in the motion.

M. McGee stated he agreed with the motion because of the special circumstances and the fact that this was an exclusion from the norm and should not be used to set precedence in the district.

J. Coleman-Marzialo and A. Deegan both agreed with K. Bach and that because of the special circumstances stated in the motion and the fact that there was not other option for the location of the panels, the installation of the panels should be allowed.

12. Consideration of COA for 89 Tolland Green by Commission, and vote thereon

Motion: A. Deegan/K. Bach To consider the application of the COA for 89 Tolland Green to remove 2 of the 3 windows and then cover the exterior with like siding. The remaining window should be shuttered on both sides.

C. Senechal felt the existing application was not complete.

Vote: C. Senechal – No

K. Bach, M. McGee, J. Coleman-Marzialo, and A. Deegan - yes

Motion granted with the stipulation that the one remaining window be shuttered and the area where the windows were removed will be sided with like material.

13. New Business

13.1 Discussion of the Historic District Commission's 2023 meeting schedule.

Motion: K. Bach/M. McGee – to accept the THDC schedule as presented in the packet. These meeting will be zoom until further notice

Passed. Unanimous

14. Miscellaneous

K. Bach brought up the question as to whether we are relevant as a commission and our ability to fine homeowner for noncompliance

J. Paquin stated that only the town can impose fines and that it would need to be brought before the Superior Court.

It was questioned as to whether any of these issues could be treated like blight enforcement and thus handled in this way.

It was decided that these issues should probably be discussed with the town manager.

15. Motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2022 meeting by C. Senechal, 2nd M. McGee, Vote: Unanimous.

16. Motion to adjourn at 9:03pm by A. Deegan, 2nd K. Bach. Vote, Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Deegan, Substitute Clerk
11/22/22

MINUTES
TOLLAND GREEN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
REMOTE MEETING

Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order at 7:02 pm by Chair.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners: Jodie Coleman-Marzialo, Chair, Rod Hurtuk, Vice-Chair, Kathy Bach, Clerk, Ann Deegan, Celeste Senechal, Mike McGee, alternates: Mariah Bumps; John Hughes (joined at 7:07)

Katie Murray, town council liaison

3. New Business

3.1 Kathy Bach explained that there might be \$100,000 from a Community Capital Plan for the ADA compliant ramp needed at the Historical Society Jail Museum.

Hopefully it is still in the town manager's draft budget proposal.

Kathy explained that a temporary ramp is needed now for the museum to reopen. Engineer drawings are needed before the work can go forward. There is a \$50,000 grant for these drawings that must be used by August. An extension may have to be given. Kathy will check with Megan Masse.

The difficulty is that a certified historic architect is needed for this project. Repairs are needed on the porch, and it needs to be handicap accessible. Hopefully the repair will use like materials for like materials. There may be some needed changes on the back door to have it ADA complaint.

The painting part of the project can not go forward until the carpentry part is completed.

Jodie met with the town manager and the ramp and porch are separate projects.

The Art Center's need for a new roof, is slated as a \$30,000 project in the Capital Plan.

There was a discussion about why the lantern tour is no longer held, as there is no money to provide public safety. It was mentioned that a grant might be available for this in the future.

3.2 Rod Hurtuk would like to step down as Enforcement Officer. It was suggested that Mike McGee become the Enforcement Officer. Mike agreed to accept the position.

Motion: To accept Rod's resignation with gratitude. By: C. Senechal, 2nd M. McGee. Vote: unanimous

Motion: To appoint Mike McGee as the new Enforcement Officer. By: K. Bach, 2nd. C. Senechal. Vote unanimous

3.3 Discussion on the completion of the HD Design Guidelines modeled from Glastonbury and Wethersfield. It was suggested that we check the minimal landscaping section and clarify the wording on the obtrusive landscape on the houses.

A copy of the guidelines is available from the town.

There was a question as to whether a preface was needed. It was suggested that copies of the guidelines could be printed into booklets at Tolland High School and be made available to homeowners and/or anyone else interested.

3.4 Happenings on the Green:

Jodie met with town manager, Mr. Foley and discussed the cutting down of the dying pine tree near the flagpole and the Veteran's Memorial expansion project. Ms. Coleman-Marzialo discussed the importance of all groups being included in decisions concerning the Green. It was understood that all memorials were supposed to be located at Crandall Park. It was thought that the flagpole needs to stay, as it is needed for town wide activities.

Kathy Bach mentioned that the park was the practical place for these memorials due to parking and bathroom availability.

The Bilow property next to the Preschool for the Arts was discussed as a possible location for a memorial park as it could then possibly be tied into the Senior Center and Parker Place.

Celeste suggested a memorial for the women who built air crafts for WWII.

Jodie plans to attend the Veterans Recognition Commission meeting on February 16th to represent the Historic commission. It was suggested that the Design Advisory Board be included for any plans on the Green as well.

At the town council meeting, Mr. Foley discussed that the material for the sidewalks should be stamped concrete. Jodie still likes the material used on the Lebanon Green. Celeste feels we should restore the present sidewalks. Mr. Foley and the town council are looking to move forward to make the Green ADA accessible. The town council wants to put a sidewalk on the grass made of stamped concrete. They feel this is what the public wants. Jodie has reached out to the Lebanon Public Works department for more information on their material, as it seems to work well for Lebanon.

The stamped concrete on the Ellington Green is slippery, shiny and has faded.

Jodie reached out to the Historic Preservation Office (Todd Levin and Mary Dunn) and they mentioned there is matching grant money and funding available for this project. The funds can pay for the designing of a historically appropriate sidewalk regarding material.

4. Miscellaneous

The gutter project on the Hicks Stern Museum is complete.

The art Center needs a new roof.

The Jail Museum restoration project needs to move forward.

Congregational Church:

They would like to install a camera at the front door for safety. It was mentioned that a COA is necessary and a Public hearing might be needed. Could the camera be installed around the area of the center lamp?

The parsonage next door needs a new roof on the back portion of the building. There might need to be a material change as this section of the roof is flat. Laura and Jim at the building department recommended a COA.

Thank you to the permanent celebration committee, which meets monthly. The next event should be the Memorial Day parade. According to Celeste they are looking to get the Governor's Horse Guard back.

5. Motion to table the minutes of the November 16, 2022 meeting by K. Bach, 2nd A. Deegan, Vote Unanimous

6. Motion for adjournment at 8:10 pm by K. Bach, 2nd R. Hurtuk Vote, Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Deegan, Substitute Clerk