

## CAPITOL COMPLEX COMMISSION – MINUTES

• Date: April 02, 2019

#### **OPENING:**

• The meeting of the Capitol Complex Commission was convened and called to order by Chair Shouldice at 10:00 AM on April 1, 2019. All Commission members participated by conference call.

#### PRESENT:

- **Members:** Heather Shouldice, Chair; Jireh Billings, Susan Hayward, Rachel Feldman, Paul Carnahan and Christopher Cole, Executive Secretary to the Capitol Complex Commission
- Also, Present: David Schutz
- **Minutes transcriber:** Judy Bruneau, Department of Building and General Services

#### PRIOR MINUTES APPROVAL:

• It was decided by the Commission members to wait until the next scheduled Capitol Complex Commission meeting, to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2018 meeting.

## DISCUSSION:

- Item #1 –16 Terrace Street Deck Project, Montpelier Nate Hausman and Christine Hertz, property owners
- Chair Shouldice remarked she was pleased the City of Montpelier is directing applicants within the Capitol Complex jurisdiction to the Capitol Complex Commission for their projects.
- Nate presented their proposal along with diagrams of the deck they want to affix to their house to Chair Shouldice and Judy via email. Chair Shouldice asked Judy to forward the proposal and emails to the other Commission members.
- The Commission members did their own site visits of the property and they all noted the deck would look very nice and wouldn't be visible from other Streets.
- Susan Hayward also liked the colors of their house.
- Chair Shouldice reached out to Nate inquiring when the house was painted? This is Nate's response: "No, I believe the house was painted several years ago by the owners of the house before the couple we bought it from. We bought the place from Lars Torres and Cathleen Maine, but I think it was the prior owners, Ben Doyle and Angela Shea, who last painted the exterior and did many of the renovations on it."

## MOTION:

• Jireh Billings made a motion for the Capitol Complex Commission to approve the proposal as presented. Paul Carnahan seconded the motion. It was approved by all.

# DISCUSSION:

- Item #2 1 Hopkins Street, Montpelier Eric Rajendra and Michael Bronfen, property owners
- The Commission members are very pleased with the final revisions to their roof replacement project and wanted to thank them. They felt the new roof with all the various textures looked very nice and accented the house.
- Commissioner Cole stated Judy has spoken with Eric several times and she has taken the opportunity to thank him during those conversations.

# DISCUSSION:

- Item #3 Ice Rink on the State House
- The Commission members were very pleased with the aesthetics of the ice rink this past winter season. The dasher boards have made a huge difference.
- It was noted more people made use of the ice rink this year.
- Commissioner Cole stated the wedge that was inserted to make the ice rink level really helped during the thaw and it enabled the rink to refreeze easier.
- The Commission members would like the ice rink removed sooner rather than later.
- Commissioner Cole stated the rink was frozen to the ground and it needed to thaw so when the City removes the rink it doesn't damage the State House lawn.
- Chair Shouldice reached out to Susan Allen regarding when they thought the ice rink would be removed? This is Sue's response: We are waiting for the ground to warm up a little bit, so the buried braces don't pull up sod when we remove them," but she is trying to get a more precise estimate from Montpelier's Recreation Department Director.

# DISCUSSION:

- Item #4 Capitol Complex Residents
- A few years ago, Commissioner Cole sent a letter to Capitol Complex residents informing them they need to come before the Capitol Complex Commission if they are making any exterior changes to their homes, including paint colors. It was decided Commissioner Cole would send out another reminder letter to the residents now that spring is here.

# ADJOURNMENT:

• Chair Shouldice made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Paul Carnahan seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM.