

Minutes
Watertown Historical Commission
Thursday, January 9, 2014
Watertown Lower Hearing Room
7:00 p.m.
Approved February 18, 2014

Historical Commission Members Present: David J. Russo, J. B. Jones, Marilynne K. Roach, Thomas Melone, Elisabeth H. Loukas, Donald Berg, Susan T. Steele

Member(s) Absent:

Staff Present: Christopher J. Hayward, Patricia Mihelich

David J. Russo chaired. The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

1. Public Hearing Continuance– 50 Church Street – One year demolition delay was issued on 11/14/13. Applicant/Owner: Carl Attardo, Sr.

Attardo, Sr. appealed to the board to lift the one year delay, that it would be a financial hardship. He then introduced Robert Bibbo, a licensed Land Surveyor with Bibbo Brothers & Associates. Bibbo stated that in his professional opinion it is not feasible to renovate the existing house. He presented verbally but did not have a written report backed by a breakdown of cost factors and figures as requested by the board.

Attardo, Jr. stepped forward and proclaimed that there is no chance for renovation of the existing building and they would wait out the delay. He then abruptly left the meeting.

Attardo, Sr. once again appealed to the Commission to lift the delay. Loukas requested the financial hardship to be presented in written form once again. The numbers may help to understand the level of hardship Attardo, Sr. is expressing.

Jones motioned to continue to next month's meeting, Loukas second. The board requested that the report be submitted by February 3, 2014

2. Discussion on adding historical information to Town's GIS database. – Continued discussion of what information should be available for the historical properties. General consensus is the simpler the better. Steele to send Hayward list of desired data layers to be included.

3. December Minutes – Approved

4. New Business – Hayward informed the board that 80 Elm Street will be on next month's agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.