

**Hollis Historic District Commission
Minutes of the July 7, 2022 Meeting**

Call to Order

T. Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The Following were present: Tom Cook, Chairman; Peter Jones, Vice Chairman, Michael Bates, Regular Member; and Karen Knesevich, Alternate Member.

Members absent: Brandon Child, Regular Member; and Susan Benz Selectman's Representative

Election of Officers

D. Setaro said the first order of business this evening was to conduct the election of officers, nomination were as follows:

*P. Jones nominated T. Cook to serve as Chairman. Seconded by M. Bates.
There were no further nominations.*

*T. Cook nominated P. Jones to serve as Vice Chairman. Seconded by M. Bates.
There were no further nominations.*

T. Cook nominated B. Child to serve as backup clerk. Seconded by M. Bates.
There were no further nominations.

T. Cook assumed the Chair.

T. Cook said the voting members for this evening cases were; Tom Cook, Peter Jones and Michael Bates.

HDC2022-012

The application of the Congregational Church of Hollis, property owner, to install two (2) new free-standing signs, located at 3 Monument Sq. (Map 052, Lot 053) in the Town Center District.

Thomas Hildreth presented the case on behalf of the Congregational Church. Hildreth explained that they are using the same materials, size, style, and fonts for their two new signs as they did in the sign used for the cemetery and the sign marking the Adam Verrecchia Garden. Those signs were black and white with a 36" northwood forged bracket and attached to a 7" x 7" granite post.

The Jim & Jan Squires Community Patio sign will be on the point where Broad Street and Monument Square meet, and the Community Memorial Park sign will be on Broad Street setback from the sidewalk near the walkway that goes back towards the memorial.

T. Cook asked if this had been approved by the ZBA. Hildreth replied yes.

Discussion took place on the aesthetics of the signs and that the date will be changed on the Community Memorial Peace Park sign from 2020 to the correct date.

*T. Cook moved to approve the application as submitted.
P. Jones seconded.
Motion carried unanimously*

HDC2022-014

The application of Anna Birch, Hollis Art Space, to install a new business sign, located at 30 Ash St.,

property owners, Swamp Frogs, LLC (map 053, Lot 016) in the Agricultural Business District

Anna Birch explained that she will be leasing the property from the Morgan family and Swamp Frogs LLC, and maintaining the art gallery, gift shop, and art classes so that the bulk of the sign will remain the same. She shared that they are working on fixing the center portion of the sign with color matching with the same size and a high density PCV as the sun had faded the sign and it needed repairs.

P. Jones asked if it would be flat or carved.

A. Birch replied that it would be flat.

M. Bates asked about if there would be any flashing lights or LEDs.

A. Birch replied no.

P. Jones moved to approve the application as submitted.

T. Cook seconded.

Motion carried unanimously

Review of minutes

T. Cook moved to approve the minutes of June 2, 2022.

M. Bates seconded.

Motion carried unanimously with P. Jones abstaining.

T. Cook moved to adjourn the meeting. P. Jones seconded. Motioned carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by;

Donna L. Setaro, Building and Land Use Coordinator and

Amiee LeDoux, Recording Secretary.