

City of Newport
Historic Preservation Meeting Draft Minutes
Sept 19, 2023

Members Present: Chair John Monette, Denis Chenette, Carole O' Connell and Gina Cirelli

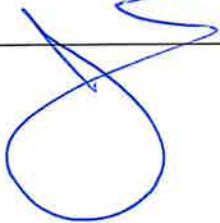
Members Absent: Kevin Mead

Others Present: Zoning Administrator Frank Cheney, Karen Garaghty

- **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Monette at 6:30 p.m.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Gina Cirelli made a motion to approve the minutes of June 20, 2023, Carole O' Connell seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.
- **Public Comment:** none
- **Roll and Responsibility:** Denis Chenette reported results from his extensive search into Newport City Records designed to ascertain a broader understanding of the role and responsibility of the Historic Preservation Committee. His findings indicated that the committees formation was originally related to the establishment of an historic district that was part of the prerequisites required to obtain a downtown designation within the City of Newport. Karen Geraghty Interim City Manager will ascertain the status of the committee's continued role in Newport Designated Downtown requirements and report back to the committee.
- **Old Business:** None
- **New Business:** None
- **Agenda:** The next regularly scheduled Historic Preservation Committee Meeting with be held on December 19, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Newport City Council Room. The Agenda will be similar to tonight's meeting.
- **Adjourn:** Denis Chenette made a motion to adjourn, Gina Cirelli seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:40p.m.

Approved this 19 day of Dec., 2023.

Chair, Newport City Planning Commission



City of Newport
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2023

Members Present: Chair John Monette, Denis Chenette, and Gina Cirelli

Members Absent: Kevin Mead and Carole O'Connell

Others Present: Zoning Administrator Frank Cheney and Brandy Saxton

- **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Monette at 6:40p.m.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Denis Chenette made a motion to approve the minutes of November 21, 2023, Gina Cirelli seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.
- **Public Comment:** none
- Chair Monette recognized that due to a scheduling conflict Bevin Campbell was unable to attend tonight's meeting and that she would be scheduled to present at the December 19, 2023, session.
- **Bylaw Modernization project:**
 1. Chair Monette provided a brief overview of recent Planning Commissions work on specific regulations and commented on the overall progress of the commission's progress on the Bylaw Modernization Project.
 2. The Planning Commission Members, with the assistance of Brandy Saxton reopened evaluation of sections within the Draft Unified Regulations that had previously been marked for additional attention. The following areas were evaluated and amended:
 - Harboring of livestock/Definition of agricultural use.
 - Vendor/mobile food service ordinance
 - Dangerous Building Ordinance
 - Abandoned/Damaged property
- **Old Business:** None
- **New Business:** None
- **Agenda:** The next scheduled Planning Commission Meeting will be held on December 19, 2023, immediately following the regularly scheduled Historic Preservation Meeting in the Newport City Council Room. The agenda will be similar to tonight's meeting.
- **Adjourn:** Gina Cirelli made a motion to adjourn, Denis Chenette seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:50p.m.

Approved this 19 day of December 2023
2023. _____ Chair, Newport City Planning Commission

