MINUTES ASHLEY FALLS HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION June 14, 2023, in person

PRESENT: Phil Ghi, Anne Dunn, Sandra Preston, Lee Buttala, Marc Leavitt and Betsy Crawford, Walt Cudnohofsky

The meeting was called to order at 5:32.

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and put up for approval by Phil Ghi and seconded by Sandra Preston. Approval was unanimous.

Mr. Cohen and Ms. Brown of 245 East Main Street applied for a certificate of non-applicability for the repainting of their house in the same color as it currently is. A motion was made by Sandra Preston to approve their request, seconded by Anne Dunn and the vote was unanimously in their favor.

Anne Dunn and Sean Kenny's application for a hardship exception for a side yard fence at 241 East Main Street was presented and Anne recused herself from the vote. It was deemed appropriate due to issues relating to containing the dog. Phil Ghi made a motion, seconded by Sandra Preston and it was unanimously accepted with Anne abstaining from the vote, due to conflict of interest.

The committee moved on to the review the request for a certificate of non-applicability for 26 School Street. Lee Buttala recused himself from the discussion as it is his home. The request is to add new gravel and edge the existing driveway and to take down two non-historical buildings that are unsafe. Phil Ghi made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Anne Dunn and the vote was unanimous in favor of the request, with Mr. Buttala abstaining from the vote.

Lee Buttala made a motion to adjourn at 5:47, seconded by Ghi, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted, Lee Buttala