

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 6, 2022**

**ATTENDANCE:** Guy Horvath, Chair; Susan Tabachnick, Co-chair; Kristen Alvanson, Tim O'Connor, Rachel Rockwell

**OTHERS:** Nick Sampieri, Zoning Official

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner Horvath called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and called the roll and stated there was a quorum present. Commissioner Horvath then reviewed the rules for the hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Deferred Business:**

There was no deferred business to consider at this time.

**Continued Business:**

There was no continued business to consider at this time.

**New Business:**

**1. Application #2022-23 of Ilana Polak for the replacement of roof shingles on the house at the address of 180 Brooklawn Avenue.**

Ms. Polak explained that their roof was 35 years old and they wanted to replace the shingles with gray architectural shingles. The current shingles will be removed and they will go down to the plywood in one area.

Commissioner Rockwell asked about replacing the gutters and leaders. Ms. Polak said that they do not expect to have to replace any of them. Discussion followed about changing the gutters with half round gutters rather than the current style that is there if they need to replace the gutters.

The discussion moved to historic tax credits. Commissioner Tabachnick noted that the application would have be approved by the State Historic Commission before the project is started. Ms. Polak said that the State Historic application came with the application for the Commission application.

Ms. Polak said that the Red Cross building is located right next to them and there is spotlight that shines right in their bedroom window. They have reached out to a number of people and organizations about this with no response. She said that she would like to know who handles the building so they can get the spotlight pointed elsewhere. Commissioner Horvath said that he would walk by to check out the situation. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Horvath asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the application. There was no response. Commissioner Horvath asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in opposition to this application. Hearing none, he closed the Public Hearing on 180 Brooklawn Avenue.

**Tabled Business:**

There was no tabled business to consider at this time.

**DECISION SESSION:**

**Application #2022-23 of Ilana Polak for the replacement of roof shingles on the house at the address of 180 Brooklawn Avenue.**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER TABACHNICK MOVED TO APPROVE APPLICATION #2022-23 OF ILANA POLAK FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ROOF SHINGLES ON THE HOUSE AT THE ADDRESS OF 180 BROOKLAWN AVENUE.**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER O'CONNOR SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MINUTES:**

• **November 1, 2022** (Horvath, Tabachnick, Rockwell, Sachs, Alvanson)

The following corrections were noted:

Page 2, under Application 2022-22, paragraph 1, line 3; please change "JAF shingles" to "GAF shingles".

Page 2, under Application 2022-22, paragraph 1, line 4; please change "wind damaged." To "wind damage."

Page 2, under Application 2022-22, paragraph 3, line 1; please change "type of socket vents" to "type of soffit vents"

**\*\* COMMISSIONER ROCKWELL MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2022 MEETING AS CORRECTED.**

**\*\* THERE WAS A SECOND.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2022 MEETING AS CORRECTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**OTHER BOARD BUSINESS:**

Commissioner Tabachnick asked Mr. Sampieri about the consolidation of two downtown districts. She said that the last email said that they had 60 days window but hoped to complete it sooner. Mr. Sampieri said he would look into this.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER TABACHNICK MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER SACHS SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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