



Town of Sudbury

Historic Districts Commission

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MINUTES Thursday, September 8, 2016

Members present: Taylor Riepe, Swanson, Hawes

Others present: Chau Song Do, Gregg Yanchenko, Rev. Joel Guillemette and Richard Morris.

New Business:

1. **Public Hearing – Case 16-20, Applicant Chau S. Do for Sudbury Nails & Spa, 326 Boston Post Road (Town Assessor’s Map K09-0401).** For a Certificate of Appropriateness to install a sign.

Members unanimously approved the applicant’s sign as shown in the pictures presented.

2. **CONTINUATION - Public Hearing – Case 16-16, Applicant Sudbury United Methodist Church, 251 Old Sudbury Road (Town Assessor’s Map H09-0053).** For a Certificate of Appropriateness to repave parking lot, lighting and landscape design, construction of a new entrance to the Chapel, handicap accessible ramp and windows replacement.

After discussion about the lighting, members approved the plans presented 3 in favor, 1 against (Riepe). The plans were approved with the following conditions. Spotlights on the steeple was not decided on and will require a new application if desired.

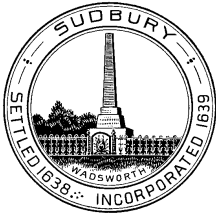
There will be parking stripes. On August 4th meeting, the church voiced concerns that without them people tend to park haphazardly causing valued space to be lost. To help reduce the stark blacktop look they would not be seal coating the parking lot and instead allow it to gradually gray.

The lighting was discussed at length. The issues included: the modern 20’ pole lights, the pluses and minuses of using all colonial lighting, and the overall amount of light. In the end the Commission approved 4 modern pole lights (down from 6) and 6 colonial lights.

The pole lights are less intense than the colonial lights and were chosen in part to reduce the total amount of lights required. They will be camouflaged somewhat by trees that will be planted.

The 6 colonial lights will be placed in two small curbed islands with surrounding plantings. The church will minimize the use of the lights by using them only when needed.

- The layout of the parking area will follow the “revised” plan presented.
- The parking light will be striped as shown.
- The poles for all lights will be bronze color; the diameter of the lantern poles will be approximately 4”.
- Trees will be planted to minimize the sight of the 20’ light poles,
- Use of the lights will be minimized to the greatest practical extent possible.
- Any changes to the landscaping plans shown will require approval from the Commission.



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Other Business:

- Discussion of Eversource wetlands letter.

Members agreed that Mr. Swanson would write a letter to the Eversource representative that will include suggestions made.

- Continued discussion of old town pound gate.

This item will be taken up at the next meeting.

- Approval of letter to new homeowners.

It was agreed that Ms. Hawes would contact the assessor's office to arrange a more frequent conveyance of the names of new homeowners. Members were asked to review the draft of the letter to homeowners and recommended any needed changes at the next meeting.

Miscellaneous:

- Approval of Minutes from August 4, 2016 meeting.

Unanimously approved by the members present at the August 4th meeting.

These agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.