

Town of South Windsor
DEMOLITION DELAY COMMITTEE – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 4, 2021

1. Call Meeting to Order:

Chairperson Utay called the Demolition Delay Committee meeting to order at 6:34 pm. This meeting was held over Webex to comply with Town policy during the pandemic

2. Roll Call:

- Members participating via Webex: Art Utay, Kevin Greer, Elizabeth Burgess
- Members absent: Sandy Jeski, Tim Shepard

3. Outside Participation

- none

4. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting minutes – December 3, 2020 – approved unanimously by attendees. The motion to approve was made by Elizabeth Burgess and seconded by Kevin Greer

5. Old Business:

Demolition Request: 1355 Ellington Avenue

The original application to demolish this structure was reviewed at the March 5, 2020 DDC regular meeting. At the time, there were no public or organizational objections to demolition and the DDC concurred with these assessments. However, the DDC stayed approving the application until the Town of South Windsor Parks and Rec Department, who are managing the property for the Town, posted the demolition application sign as required by Town Ordinance.

With the ongoing pandemic, this action was not taken by Parks and Rec. Instead, they gutted the interior of the structure while waiting for DDC approval. In late December 2020, they reached out to the DDC inquiring about the status of the application. By this time, the house on the property was a shell, with no windows or internal structure left. The DDC realized that aside from the sign posting, all other requirements of the ordinance relating to public notification had been accomplished and there was no practical reason to pursue the sign issue 9 months after the fact.

The DDC voted unanimously to approve the application and directed the chair to notify Parks and Rec (and the Town) to follow the Town ordinances in the future.

6. New Business:

request was made by Ms. Burgess to move the DDC regular meeting time from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to accommodate work schedules

7. Administration

The 2021 DDC Meeting calendar was forwarded to all committee members

8. Adjournment

Chairperson Utay moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 PM. DDC member Burgess seconded the motion

Respectfully submitted,

Art Utay