

RIDGEFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Town Hall, 400 Main Street
Ridgefield, CT 06877
January 23, 2025

Policy: Historic District Commission meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and all participants are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and treat all those present with respect, empathy and civility.

APPROVED MINUTES

A Special meeting of the Ridgefield Historic District Commission (“HDC”) was held at 400 Main Street, Ridgefield CT 06877, on Thursday, January 23, 2025, and beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The following members were present:

Dan O’Brien (Chair), Sean O’Kane (Vice Chair), Harriet Hanlon, Rhys Moore, Mark Blandford and Sara Kaplan

AGENDA

1. **Jesse Lee Church - 207 Main Street** – Replacement of Front Signage.
2. **Annual Review of**
 - Freedom of Information Act
 - Code of Ethics
 - Town Charter
3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**
 - December 12, 2024 – Special Meeting Minutes

MEETING:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dan O’Brien at 6:30 p.m.

1. **Jesse Lee Church - 207 Main Street** – Replacement of Front Signage.

Dan McKee, the owner operator of Designs & Signs of Brookfield, CT, was in attendance and presented photos of a few possible replacement signs for the existing Jesse Lee Church sign located on Church property near the corner of Main and King Streets. A replacement of an existing directional sign along the rear driveway passing by the passenger drop off point would also be replaced with a similar look and size.

There was no Church representative in attendance although Mr. Robert Neuman was invited.

The proposed sign would be the same size as the existing sign and would hang from the same existing wood frame. Mr. McKee said that the proposed material for the new sign would be a synthetic material such as foam or PCP, unlike the existing sign which was wood.

Various Commission members questioned the size of the print on the proposed signs as well as the size and predominance of the Church's new logo on the proposed sign. Mr. O'Kane also suggested that a wood sign with hand carved lettering be considered.

Mr. McKee said that he would send the Commission a revised proposed Church sign taking into account Commission members' comments and suggestions. Mr. O'Brien suggested that he also meet with Church representatives on the new proposal to be submitted and suggested as well that a Church representative attend the next Commission meeting with the application remaining on the agenda for the Commission's meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. O'Brien also requested Mr. McKee to bring a sample of the proposed sign material to the next meeting.

Presentation and discussion of agenda items #2 and #3 were deferred until the next Regular meeting of the Commission on February 13, 2025.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Historic District Commission Meeting at 7:15 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel J. O'Brien
Chair