

TOWN OF BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION



Historic District Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

10 Court St, Bristol Rhode Island

Written comments may be submitted to the Historic District Commission via regular mail addressed to:

Historic District Commission, Bristol Town Hall, 10 Court Street, Bristol RI 02809 or via email to ntoth@bristolri.gov

Present: Chistopher Ponder, Susan Church, Benjamin Bergenholtz, John Allen

Staff Present: Nicholas Toth

Meeting Called to order at 10 Court St, Bristol RI at 7:02 PM.

Kathryn J. Cavanaugh and Brent Runyon, Historic Preservation Consultants, presented findings of the re-survey of the Bristol Downtown National Register District, detailing methodologies, major findings, detailed descriptions of the deliverables, and recommendations for future expansion and study for the district. Items of note included a discussion on the need to further study the former New Goree neighborhood and the effects of the US Rubber plant's construction on it, areas of potential expansion for the National Register of Historic Places district to the North and South, and the potential of adopting the recommendations for contributing and non-contributing structures, of which an updated list was proposed from the 1978 survey. Per the consultants, The current National Register of Historic Places District has not been updated since the 1970s, and this survey represents a first step to updating the district should the Town Council be inclined to do so. No votes or actions were taken by the Commission, as this was purely a presentation of findings, however, it was determined that the Commission wished to discuss updating the district with the Director of Community Development at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:17PM

HDC Chair Signature: _____