Historic Preservation Board

Sec. 48-148. Board membership.

- (a) The historic preservation board shall have five members appointed by the town council. One member of the historic preservation board shall be a registered architect and another a local historian, if available. The appointments shall be made on the basis of civic pride, integrity, experience, and interest in the field of historic preservation. The town council should appoint a representative from each of the following areas of expertise:
 - (1) History.
 - (2) Real estate or real property appraisal.
 - (3) Urban planning.
 - (4) Engineering or building construction.
- (b) Whenever possible, each member shall reside in the town.
- (c) Each member shall be appointed to a three-year term except that, initially, two members shall be appointed for a term of two years, and one member shall be appointed for a term of three years. No person may serve more than two consecutive three-year terms. Persons disqualified by this provision may be reappointed after one year elapses after the expiration of the second term of service.
- (d) When a position becomes vacant before the end of the term, the town council shall appoint a substitute member within 60 days to fill the vacancy for the duration of the vacated term. A member whose term expires may continue to serve until a successor is appointed and qualified.
- (e) An individual who misses three consecutive, regularly scheduled meetings of the historic preservation board without good cause shall be deemed to have resigned from that board and is not eligible for reappointment to that or any other board for at least one year. In that event, the town clerk shall notify the individual that his position will be declared vacant by the town council at the next regularly scheduled town council meeting unless the individual demonstrates good cause for having been absent. In addition, the town council may terminate the appointment of any board member for cause, including, but not limited to, excessive absences and conflicts of interest, upon giving notice and an opportunity to be heard. The town council shall take any and all action it deems appropriate in its sole discretion.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.1; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(A), 12-17-1996; Ord. No. 2003-2, § 1, 7-15-2003; Ord. No. 2010-05, § 1, 3-2-2010)

Sec. 48-149. Officers.

The members of the historic preservation board shall annually elect a chair and vice-chair from among the members and may create and fill other offices as the historic preservation board deems necessary.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.2; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(B), 12-17-1996)

Sec. 48-150. Subcommittees.

- (a) The historic preservation board shall create whatever subcommittees it deems necessary to carry out the purposes of the historic preservation board.
- (b) The chair of the historic preservation board shall annually appoint the membership of each subcommittee from the members of the historic preservation board.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.3; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(C), 12-17-1996)

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Sec. 48-151. Staffing.

The planning director shall appoint a town employee to serve as secretary to the historic preservation board, recorder and custodian of all board records.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.4; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(D), 12-17-1996)

Sec. 48-152. Compensation.

Members shall not be compensated.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.5; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(E), 12-17-1996)

Sec. 48-153. Funding.

The town council shall appropriate funds to permit the historic preservation board to perform its prescribed functions.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.6; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(F), 12-17-1996)

Sec. 48-154. Required meetings.

The historic preservation board shall meet at least four times each year and minutes of each meeting shall be kept. Meetings will be conducted according to rules of procedure adopted by the board.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.7; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(G), 12-17-1996)

Sec. 48-155. Board to adopt the rules of procedure.

The historic preservation board shall adopt the rules of procedure as the recognized authority.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.7; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(H), 12-17-1996)

Sec. 48-156. Responsibilities of local board.

The responsibilities of the historic preservation board shall be complementary to those of the state historic preservation board office.

(LDC 1982, ch. 11, § 11.5.7; Ord. No. 96-04, § V(I), 12-17-1996)

Secs. 48-157-48-180. Reserved.

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