

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COUNCIL MEETING
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Wednesday, January 4, 2023 @ 9:30 am**

MINUTES

Council: Ms. Elizabeth Acly, Ms. Vincencia Adusei, Ms. Elizabeth Burgess, Mr. Paul Butkus, Ms. Marguerite Carnell, Chairman Thomas Elmore, Ms. Christine Nelson -Vice-Chairwoman, Ms. Sara Nelson, and Dr. Sarah Sportman

Absent: Dr. Leah Glaser, Dr. Andy Horowitz

Staff: Mr. Cory Atkinson, Ms. Julie Carmelich, Ms. Mary Dunne, Ms. Erin Fink, Ms. Deborah Gaston, Mr. Jonathan Kinney, Ms. Cathy Labadia, Mr. Todd Levine, Ms. Jenny Scofield, Ms. Liz Shapiro, and Ms. Marena Wisniewski

Guest:	Ms. Jane Montanaro	Mr. David Gross
	Ms. Wendy Mackstutis	Mr. Adam Kessler
	Mr. Danny Gannon	Ms. Stacey Vairo
	Ms. Jamie Stein	Ms. Mary Falvey
	Ms. Jessica Glass	Mr. Paul Bastiaanse
	Ms. Mary Ellen Gonci	

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m.

A. Appreciation comments to Dr. Margaret Faber

Chairman Elmore and members of the Council and SHPO thanked Dr. Faber for her many years of phenomenal service as a Historic Preservation Council member.

B. Welcome comments to Andy Horowitz

Dr. Horowitz was absent from the meeting.

II. Review of Public Comment Procedures

Chairman Elmore read aloud the Review of Public Comment Procedures.

III. Code of Conduct/Conflict of Interest

Chairman Elmore read aloud the Code of Conduct/Conflict of Interests and asked if there were any conflicts. Ms. Burgess will recuse herself from item V.B.2 – Wood Memorial Library. Ms. Carnell will recuse herself from item VI.B.1 - Firetown & Hoskins Rd, Simsbury.

IV. Review and Approval of Minutes and Transcripts

A. Minutes – Part I - December 7, 2022 Meeting

On a motion by Ms. Carnell, second by Ms. C. Nelson, the Council voted to approve the December 7, 2022 meeting minutes with minor corrections. (Y-8, N-0, Abstaining-1, Absent-2, Recused-0) (Roll call vote)

B. Transcript – Part II – December 7, 2022 Meeting

On a motion by Ms. C. Nelson, second by Ms. Carnell, the Council voted to table the approval of the transcript until the February 1, 2023 meeting, due to errors in the transcription.

(Y-8, N-0, Abstaining-1, Absent-2, Recused-0) (Roll call vote)

Mr. Kinney will reach out to the transcription service to see about getting the errors addressed.

V. State Historic Preservation Grants – Action Items

A. Unfinished Action Items

B. New Action Items

1. Historic Restoration Fund, Killingworth Congregational Church, 273 CT-81, Killingworth, CT. Plaster repairs to the upper dome of the sanctuary and walls, painting of plaster and decorative stenciling.

On a motion by Ms. S. Nelson, second by Ms. C. Nelson, the Historic Preservation Council voted to award a Historic Restoration Fund grant, funded by the Community Investment Act of the State of Connecticut, to the below-listed applicant in the amount shown. All grant guidelines and state requirements shall be met by the below-listed applicant upon receipt of a grant as administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development. Staff recommended this application for funding.

(Y-7, N-0, Abstaining-2, Absent-2, Recused-0) (Roll call vote)

Applicant: Killingworth Congregational Church
Amount: \$35,585

Ms. Fink presented this application. Killingworth Congregational Church requested funding in the amount of \$35,585 for plaster repairs to the upper dome of the sanctuary and walls and painting of plaster and decorative stenciling. This is the third HRF grant that Killingworth Congregational Church is applying for. The Congregation is methodically addressing work items in their conditions assessment and long-term preservation plan, as their budget allows.

Ms. Fink made a site visit in the Summer of 2022 to meet with members of the congregation's Restoration Committee and the owner of Valley Restoration to view the completed work. Mr. David Gross and Mr. Paul Bastiaanse, the owner of Valley Restoration, were on the call. The work has met the Secretary of the Interior's

Standards and all guidelines from the SHPO office. They have done careful and skillful work. The contract with Valley Restoration was competitively bid for Phase 1 of the project, and, as a result, the congregation can continue working with Valley Restoration for the subsequent phases without re-bidding the project. This is a clearly a defined scope of work put together by a seasoned professional using the traditional three quote plaster method.

Ms. Adusei asked if the stencil work was included in the budget and scope of work. Ms. Fink replied that they were. Mr. Paul Bastiaanse of Valley Restoration added that there will be three coats of horsehair plaster, followed by a coat of primer, two coats of paint, and then the recreation of the historic stenciling.

Ms. Carnell commented that it was wonderful to see the dedication and care being put into this project and asked how the paint color and design for the stenciling were selected. Ms. Fink replied they were recreating what was already there. Ms. Carnell asked if there was any documentation or evidence of the origin of the current stencil design. Ms. Fink replied they were using a report from John Canning as well as historic documentation and photographs. Ms. Carnell added if John Canning is involved, then she is fully confident things will be done correctly.

Ms. Acly asked if the John Canning study identified what type of paint should be used? Ms. Fink replied the information was in the report, which was not readily available, but she would obtain the information for Ms. Acly.

Ms. Carnell added that Canning sometimes recommends a mineral paint, which allows water vapor to pass through it and is often used when moisture is a concern, although that might not be the case in this instance. It may be worth looking into.

Chairman Elmore asked how the stencils are made. Mr. Bastiaanse replied that the church still has the original stencils, and they will be used. Chairman Elmore also mentioned that he did not see a contingency in the budget. Ms. Fink stated that she was not certain that one needed to be added for this project since Mr. Bastiaanse has been to the church many times and has worked their quite extensively and knows what is needed.

Ms. Acly asked, during the sounding test on the plaster, how the line would be drawn between plaster repair and replacement? Mr. Bastiaanse explained the process he will use and indicated that it is fairly easy to see the areas that need work from the balcony area.

2. Survey and Planning Grant, Wood Memorial Library, Architectural Plans and Specifications for Wood Memorial Library, 783 Main Street, South Windsor

Ms. Burgess recused herself from the meeting.

On a motion by Ms. C. Nelson, second by Mr. Butkus, the Historic Preservation Council voted to award a Survey and Planning Grant, funded by the Community Investment Act of the State of Connecticut, to the below-listed applicant in the amount shown. All grant guidelines and state requirements shall be met by the below-listed

applicant upon receipt of a grant as administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development. Staff recommended the application for funding.

(Y-7, N-0, Abstaining-1, Absent-2, Recused-1) (Roll call vote)

Applicant: Wood Memorial Library

Amount: \$17,500

Ms. Dunne presented this application. The Wood Memorial Library requested funding in the amount of \$17,500 to obtain the consulting services of a CFR-qualified Architect and team to develop bid-level plans and specifications to support restoration projects for the Wood Memorial Library, located at 783 Main Street, South Windsor.

The Library applied for an HRF grant in Fall 2022 for mortar joint repair and repointing because of evident water damage. SHPO staff suspected that there may be more going on with the building regarding water damage, so staff recommended that the Library apply for this Survey and Planning grant to first develop plans and specifications for work to find the cause of the water damage and specifications for the subsequent HRF grant. They have already submitted a separate HRF application for the remainder of the work to the building. The Applicant competitively bid for a Conditions Assessment and went with the architect listed on this application. This is also a non-matching grant. Ms. Jessica Glass from Wood Memorial Library was on the call for any questions or concerns.

Chairman Elmore asked about the schedule. The Applicant was originally planning to come in for the December meeting to start work around now, hopefully before the ground freezes, although it has been quite warm so far this winter. Ms. Dunne replied that SHPO could not accommodate them on the December agenda, so they will be delayed by a month. However, the weather has been warm, so hopefully the delay won't significantly or negatively affect the project. Another positive is that they do not have to go out to bid for an architect, they can simply move forward with the one they have already hired, which will save time.

Ms. Acly asked if the basement opened into a small sub-area under the stair or if it was all closed. Ms. Glass responded and thanked Ms. Dunne and Ms. Fink for their assistance. There are several areas of water intrusion, primarily the front steps and portico. They went to begin renovations to the ADA bathroom under the steps and discovered that water was not only getting in through the mortar joints at the stairs, but that the stairs are also pitched toward the building. The bathroom renovation was halted until that problem could be corrected. That is the intent of this Survey and Planning Grant. There is also an annex on the rear of the building that was built in 1977 and is experiencing mildew.

Chairman Elmore asked Ms. Glass if they had considered trenching around the building and installing a drainage system? Ms. Glass replied this was more extensive than what was in their assessment, but if the architect approves it would be great so they will not have to experience this problem again.

Ms. Burgess returned to the meeting.

3. Survey and Planning Grant, Hebron Historical Society, Condition Assessment, Old Town Hall and Burrows Hill School House, 26 CT-66, Hebron

On a motion by Ms. C. Nelson, second by Ms. Carnell, the Historic Preservation Council voted to award a Survey and Planning Grant, funded by the Community Investment Act of the State of Connecticut, to the below-listed applicant in the amount shown. All grant guidelines and state requirements shall be met by the below-listed applicant upon receipt of a grant as administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development. Staff recommended the application for funding.

(Y-8, N-0, Abstaining-1, Absent-2, Recused-0) (Roll call vote)

Applicant: Hebron Historical Society

Amount: \$20,000

Ms. Dunne presented this application. The Hebron Historical Society requested funding in the amount of \$20,000 to obtain the Consulting services of a CFR-qualified Architect and team to prepare a condition assessment report for Old Town Hall, located at 26 Main Street, Hebron, and Burrows Hill School, located on School Road, Hebron. There are no major issues with the buildings. The Applicant just wanted an assessment completed in anticipation of various improvements, such as the installation of bathrooms, in both buildings, which are still in use by the Historical Society. Ms. Mary Ellen Gonci was on the call for any questions or concerns.

Ms. C. Nelson asked if any original furnishings were still in the buildings? Ms. Gonci replied that the original teacher's desk and students' desks are still in the school, as well as a wood stove that no longer functions. The building was previously moved further back from the roadway and a basement was added as well. Ms. Gonci was not aware of any original furnishings in the Old Town Hall. There was previously a stage that was minimized, and the original floors have been replaced with pine.

Ms. Carnell asked for confirmation that the school was eligible for this grant as she could not locate a National or State Register listing. Ms. Dunne responded that it is a locally designated building, and because it was designated locally prior to March 6, 2019, it was automatically listed on the State Register as well.

4. Supplemental Certified Local Government Grant, Town of Guilford, Municipal Preservation Planning Document, Guilford

On a motion by Ms. C. Nelson, second by Mr. Burgess, the Historic Preservation Council voted to award a Supplemental Certified Local Government Grant, funded by the Community Investment Act of the State of Connecticut, to the below-listed applicant in the amount shown. All grant guidelines and state requirements shall be met by the below-listed applicant upon receipt of a grant as administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development. Staff recommends the application for funding.

(Y-8, N-0, Abstaining-1, Absent-2, Recused-0) (Roll call vote)

Applicant: Town of Guilford
Amount: \$28,500

Ms. Dunne presented this application. The Town of Guilford requested funding in the amount of \$28,500 to obtain the consulting services of a CFR-qualified preservation planning team to coordinate public engagement and prepare a municipal historic preservation plan. The Town of Guilford is a Certified Local Government (CLG) community and this document will help the Town to realize their commitment to historic preservation in a more formalized way. The Historic District Commission and other town bodies are trying to work together for the benefit of the Town's historic resources, and this plan will be an important tool that will assist them in their work. Ms. Jamie Stein, town planner for Guilford was on the call for any questions or concerns.

Ms. C. Nelson commented that as a town planner herself, she has found that it is useful to take the inventory/basic condition assessment/other information contained in the preservation plan and to fold it into both the municipal natural hazard mitigation plan and the municipal plan of conservation and development. This will help to institutionalize the historic preservation plan across municipal government.

Ms. S. Nelson wanted to ensure that consideration of residential properties as well as a parking plan for the downtown area would both be included in the document. Ms. Stein responded that they would be.

Ms. Carnell and Ms. Burgess both commented that they support the application.

VI. State Register of Historic Places Nominations

A. Unfinished Action Items

B. New Action Items

1. State Register of Historic Places Nomination, Meadowood Historic District, Firetown Road and Hoskins Road, Simsbury

Ms. Carnell recused herself from the meeting.

On a motion by Ms. Burgess, second by Ms. S. Nelson, the Historic Preservation Council voted to list the Meadowood Historic District, located along Hoskins and Firetown Roads, Simsbury, to the State Register of Historic Places. Staff recommended listing of the property.

(Y-7, N-0, Abstaining-1, Absent-2, Recused-1) (Roll call vote)

Ms. Wisniewski presented this application. The Meadowood Historic District, located along Firetown and Hoskins Roads in Simsbury, is eligible for listing on the State Register under Criterion 1 at both the state and local levels. The district is eligible under Criterion 1 in the area of ethnic history, for its association with both Black and Puerto Rican communities and for agriculture, as the remaining portion of Cullman Tobacco Farm. #2, owned by Cullman Brothers Tobacco Company at one time the largest grower of shade tobacco in the world.

The district is also significant under Criterion 2 for architecture, as intact representative examples of the tobacco shed typology, as described in Preservation Connecticut's historic barns context statement. The district maintains a high degree of integrity with extant tobacco sheds retaining their location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association with a large-scale tobacco growing organization. Some of the setting has been lost to intense suburban development, but the fields immediately surrounding the sheds lend themselves to the agricultural setting and help to preserve the integrity. Ms. Stacey Vairo, author of the nomination, was present to help answer any questions, as were Mr. Danny Gannon, Mr. Adam Kessler, and First Selectwoman Wendy Mackstutis from the town of Simsbury.

Chairman Elmore asked if there was a way to expedite putting roofs on the barns so they will not deteriorate further? Ms. Wisniewski replied yes, that is the reason for the State Register nomination being brought to Council today. This property is part of a larger African American Civil Rights grant from the National Parks Service which will list the properties on the National Register of Historic Places. In order to prevent additional deterioration of the sheds, they are being added to the State Register so that the Town of Simsbury may apply for a Historic Restoration Fund grant for time-sensitive stabilization work.

Ms. Fink added that Simsbury's Historic Restoration Fund grant application will be on the February meeting agenda.

Chairman Elmore noted that most of the vertical structural members are now resting on concrete blocks. Are those replacements and were the original timbers set into the ground and rotted away?

Ms. Wisniewski replied that depending on the different periods of construction, concrete footings were part of the original design. These are not late 19th century tobacco sheds, these are early to mid-20th century, so concrete would have been used as part of the original design. Ms. Wisniewski asked Ms. Vairo if she was able to explain in a bit more detail. Ms. Vairo responded that Ms. Wisniewski was absolutely correct, concrete would have been in common usage when these sheds were built.

Ms. Burgess and Ms. Acly both agreed the nomination was well prepared. Ms. Wisniewski thank Ms. Vairo for acting promptly on this nomination.

Ms. Carnell returned to the meeting.

VII. Local Historic District/Property Study Report/s

VIII. Archaeological Preserves

IX. Threatened Properties - CEPA Updates – Todd Levine

Mr. Levine reported on the Deborah Chapel matter, which HPC voted to refer to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) at last month's meeting. The OAG has been working with the congregation and their attorney to come up with a plan for a 12-month stay while additional alternatives are evaluated. An injunction could still be necessary. In addition, following the Hartford Courant article about the Chapel, an individual contacted our office about being "the shepherd" that Alan Ponanski always used to always talk about. The shepherd being that person who is going to come in and save the building with their financial resources. Mr. Levine sent him some numbers and he responded this morning saying we could make this work. Mr. Levine will now try to set up another meeting with the congregation to share this information.

Preliminary information about this potential solution was shared with the congregation two weeks ago, but at that time, the potential shepherd didn't know for sure if they had the financial ability to move forward, but now they say they do. This is very good news.

Mr. Levine also met with the Mayor of Manchester on December 23rd. They had been working towards the demolition of the Case Cabin for approximately the last six months, but the Mayor, Council, and municipal staff have now decided they are not going to move forward with demolition and will develop a preservation plan instead. Manchester is also planning to pursue Certified Local Government status with Ms. Dunne, and they hope to come to SHPO for the grants in the future.

Mr. Levine added that there are probably between 5 and 8 potential CEPA cases each year that Council never hears about because SHPO settles them before that point in the process. SHPO continues to use the threat of CEPA to the benefit of preservation.

Chairman Elmore commented on Deborah Chapel and the letter that was written by a group of professors, experts, historians, etc. Would the OAG reach out to them for comment? Mr. Levine replied that it depends on where we end up going with this. There are now numerous feasible alternatives on the table. The one that just came in most recently is probably the best bet at the moment, but SHPO and the OAG will still have to work with the City to find a lot. There is still a lot of work to be done. If this proposal starts to fail, there's a couple of different options, one of them would be to work with Trinity College to find a potential landing spot for the Chapel.

Ms. Carnell asked Mr. Levine if preservation in situ was off the table as an option. Mr. Levine responded that nothing is ever totally off the table. There are members of the congregation that are opposed to moving or demolishing the Chapel. During the 12 month stay, as many alternatives as possible will be evaluated, which will include preservation on site.

X. Preservation Restrictions

XI. Report on State Historic Preservation Office – Jonathan Kinney

Mr. Kinney began by thanking the members of Council and SHPO staff for all their hard work over the course of 2022.

Mr. Kinney spoke briefly about the launch of CONNCRIS, the state's new cultural resources GIS system, which will be rolled out in the next several months. SHPO will be hiring a full-time GIS professional this year to administer the new system. The request for the new position is currently working its way through the approval process.

SHPO will also be expanding its educational and outreach offerings this year. In addition, the many presentations and workshops SHPO staff is invited to participate in over the course of the year, we are interested in creating our own content this year by hosting webinars as well as virtual office hours.

SHPO will also be ramping up planning activity for the next Statewide Historic Preservation Plan, which will cover the period from 2024-2029. Mr. Kinney will update the Council as that effort progresses.

Specific to HPC, staff is planning to develop a set of bylaws and a procedure manual for the Council. There are also currently three members that are up for renewal of their terms, Chairman Elmore, Vice-Chairwoman Nelson, and Ms. Carnell. Mr. Kinney will work with the Governor's office to renew these members terms of service. There is also one current vacancy on the Council and Ms. S. Nelson graciously continues to serve on an expired term.

Mr. Kinney reiterated the desire to put together a CEPA training for Council members. There were several attempts to organize one last year that did not pan out, but Mr. Kinney will be reaching out to the OAG again to try to set something up.

Ms. C. Nelson commented that she is very excited about the GIS system and asked that the CEPA training include an overview of where HPC's role fits into the larger CEPA process.

Ms. Carnell also commented on how excited she is for the GIS system and asked Mr. Kinney if the CEPA training could include a discussion by the OAG of questions that would be helpful for Council to ask to tease out important information.

Chairman Elmore asked if Mr. Kinney if he could ensure the bylaws and procedures manual for HPC would be in line with the corresponding statutory language. Mr. Kinney stated that they would.

XII. Report on Museum Properties – Liz Shapiro

Ms. Shapiro reported that the museums staff kicked off their planning retreats, held monthly, with a discussion about museum education from a practical and logistical standpoint. Amanda Goodheart Parks, Curator of Education at the New England Air

Museum spent three hours with staff presenting a Museum Education 101 workshop, to get our thinking started.

Next week, museums staff will be taking a deep dive into their collections policy review, hoping to have an approved working collection policy by the end of January. At the same time, Jodi Polsgrove has refocused her work due to the needs of the team and her areas of expertise into collections management for the museums. She is currently working closely with Joanie DiMartino at the Prudence Crandall Museum to “test” out our state deaccession process (a two-part process because of the needs of the state surplus system) with 1300 secondary source books formerly housed in the museum collection.

In February the team will spend a day with Gloria Mengual, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Resource Specialist at CREC (Capitol Region Education Council) who will be running an all-day workshop to do a deep dive into storytelling and examining bias, especially in light of working with visitors.

Finally, anticipating that the museums will need to have additional seasonal staff, Ms. Shapiro put in a request to hire 12 museum guides for 2023, some of whom will be part time. They are hoping to have those staff members in place by mid-April.

Prudence Crandall Museum

Heating issues continue to be a problem for the Crandall-Carter building complex and this time it's the heat in the Carter House which has become very unreliable. We're getting estimates about what might be needed to solve the problem now. Two new heating units are scheduled to replace the older units at the Crandall House in January.

In the meantime, Joanie DiMartino and Jodi Polsgrove are working to get full intellectual control over the collections, which really means checking on the new locations of objects that were moved out of and into the building during the restoration. There is a very large deaccession project planned for collections at Crandall, where most collections have little to do with the Crandall story.

New-Gate

Heating has been installed in the visitor's center, which will allow for use of the building through the winter and will alleviate the needs and costs associated with turning the water on and off. Staff are monitoring the costs this season and are very happy with the mild weather!

The new pathway from the parking lot to the visitor's center and the front gate has mostly been installed. This has been paid for by the Friends of Old New-Gate, which got a \$40,000 grant from the Town of East Granby from their federal ARPA allocation. Staff are grateful to them for this effort.

In addition, this spring, a new fence will be installed between the visitor's center and the prison yard, and the inside of the visitor's center will get a fresh coat of paint. Staff are looking at bids to repair the windows in the Guard House. And of course, work continues on the stabilization of the four-story cellblock walls, funded through a Save America's Treasures grant.

Henry Whitfield

Firelight Festival, held in early December for the first time since 2019, was a lovely event and brought out lots of folks from the area. Curator Michelle Parrish has written the RFP for the project manager for the America 250 federal grant award, and staff have reviewed the proposal and given feedback. We expect that the RFP will be given to our finance office for review this week.

Michelle has also been reviewing the text of the new exhibit that will open in the education barn for the 2023 season.

Eric Sloane

Sadly, the Eric Sloane Museum experienced some damage in the storm that hit shortly before Christmas, and power and internet were out for a significant amount of time. The internet has not been fully restored yet.

This season Andrew Rowand, Site Administrator, will be working with multiple nonprofit organizations, including the Campaign for Historic Trades and Mystic Seaport, to develop a historic trades training program. There is a lot of interest in the subject, and Andrew has been working with Marena Wisniewski to ensure that the SHPO team is in the loop.

Part of our mission at the Eric Sloane Museum is to promote trades/craft education and foster opportunities for creative learning. Staff are delighted to co-host “Touch A Trade” on October 22nd. This free event is designed to offer youth and adults alike the opportunity to safely participate in trades, crafts and self-sufficiency skills through hands on activities and demonstrations.

This event was made possible through a variety of partners including @hatchspacevt, @finehomebuilding @hudsonvalleypreservation and the Ct Antique Machinery association.

The event, which was a big success, will be repeated this year, with a series of programs running through the summer to support the weekend-long fall event.

Another project for 2023 will be to establish an outdoor classroom in the lean-to area of the building. The Friends of the Eric Sloane Museum are assisting with that project.

XIII. Old Business

XIV. New Business

A. Open Discussion: 2022 year in review discussion

Chairman Elmore invited anyone who had thoughts or comments about the past year to speak. Ms. C. Nelson commented that she missed meeting in person and that it might be nice to meet occasionally.

Ms. Carnell agreed and proposed potentially meeting quarterly.

Chairman Elmore also mentioned potentially changing the HPC meeting date from the first week of the month because there are several conflicts with holiday weekends.

Ms. Acly commented that she would be open to the 2nd week of the month since a meeting right after a holiday can be challenging.

Ms. Carnell commented that she would be open as well as long as it worked for staff as well.

Mr. Butkus commented that if we can't reschedule the meetings, perhaps there is a way for staff to get materials out to Council earlier for those meetings where there is a holiday.

Ms. C. Nelson commented that one down side of moving the meetings would be robbing staff of a day to put material together for the meeting.

XV. Liaison with Public & Private Agencies – Jane Montanaro, Preservation Connecticut

Continuing with Mr. Kinney's thoughts about reflecting on the successes and wonderful preservation work happening around the state, Ms. Montanaro asked everyone to reflect on the projects that they've been in contact with or the individuals, volunteer groups, etc., and to submit a nomination for the Connecticut Preservation Awards. Nominations will close on February 3rd. Preservation Connecticut is always looking for people doing hard preservation work that they can celebrate at the award ceremony in May. There's no fee to submit a nomination.

Ms. Montanaro also reported on behalf of Connecticut Preservation Action. The group is meeting next week, and they'll start discussing their legislative priorities for this session.

XVI. Public Forum

XVII. Adjournment

On a motion by Ms. Burgess, second Ms. Acly, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

*Next regularly scheduled Council meeting:
Wednesday March 1, 2023 – Meeting format to be determined.*