

BILLERICA HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MINUTES
March 5, 2025

A meeting of the Billerica Historic District Commission was held on Wednesday March 5, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, in room 210 and via Zoom. This meeting is recorded.

Present: David Gagliardi, Chairman; John McKenna, Member; Katherine Malgieri, Acting Town Planner and Joyce MacMillan, Recording Clerk

Via Zoom: Mary McBride, Secretary; Michael Rea, Member; Mary Jones, Alt Member;

Excused: Travis Brown, Vice Chairman; George Simolaris, Member; Richard Hawes, Member; Kathy Meagher, Alt Member; Dan Valentine, Alt Member; and Tina Pesiridis, Alt Member

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Gagliardi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

APPLICATIONS:

Talbot Dam Removal – Major – App #2025-01 (Continued until April 2, 2025)

Michael Rea, seconded by Mary McBride, motioned to open the Public Hearing.

A roll call vote was taken

It was voted 4-0:

Michael Rea – Aye
Mary Jones – Aye
Mary McBride – Aye
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

27 Wilson St – Major – App #2025-03 – Demases DeFritas, Owner and Christopher Russ, Architect from CCB Custom Builders.

Mr. Russ went over the plans via a PowerPoint presentation for the new garage, where it would be attached to the home, how the materials would all match and how far back it would be set back.

Mr. John McKenna joined the meeting at 7:08

Chairman Gagliardi opened the floor to the committee for questions and concerns. The only questions pertained to the materials and they were found to be acceptable to the committee. The garage will have a carriage style door. Mr. John McKenna of the committee asked to hear from the adjoining neighbor prior to making any comments. The neighbor, Mr. Tom Gillis is okay with the materials, he has issues with where the garage will be located. It impedes his view. He has questions regarding the actual construction. The questions Mr. Gillis has is more for the Zoning Board. They will be meeting in regards to this property on the 19th.

John McKenna, seconded by Michael Rea, motioned to close the Public Hearing.

A roll call vote was taken
It was voted 5-0:

Michael Rea – Aye
Mary Jones – Aye
Mary McBride – Aye
John McKenna - Aye
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

Michael Rea, seconded by John McKenna, made a motion to approve Major -
Application – #2025-03.

A roll call vote was taken
It was voted 5-0:

Michael Rea – Aye
Mary Jones – Aye
Mary McBride – Aye
John McKenna - Aye
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

OTHER BUSINESS:

Miscellaneous Correspondence / Not Open for Discussion

There committee briefly discussed the fact that the Open Meeting Law for State
Allowance for Remote Participation will be expiring soon

Minutes: Approval of February 5, 2025, minutes

Mary Jones, seconded by Michael Rea, made a motion to accept the minutes of
February 5, 2025.

A roll call vote was taken
It was voted 5-0:

Michael Rea – Aye
Mary Jones – Aye
Mary McBride – Aye
John McKenna - Aye
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

ADJOURNMENT:

Michael Rea, seconded by Mary McBride, made a motion to adjourn.

A roll call vote was taken
It was voted 5-0:

Michael Rea – Aye
Mary Jones – Aye
Mary McBride – Aye
John McKenna - Aye
Dave Gagliardi – Aye

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Chairman Gagliardi adjourned the meeting at 7:22 pm.

Joyce MacMillan, Recording Clerk