

Academy on the Green Commission

Meeting called to order 12:18 pm

Minutes for a Special Meeting held Friday, April 5th, 2024.

At 16 Woodvale Rd. Branford, Ct 06405the Academy, 12:00 p.m.

Present: Don Gentile, Charles Miller, Albert Russell

Absent: Currently – 2 vacancies

Treasurer's report, in our fund \$21,489.93

The minutes from 10/24/2022, motion to approve by Al Russell, second by Charles Miller. Approved unanimously.

New Business

Charles Miller's appointment to the board was discussed. After discussing his association with the Town of East Haven Fire Department, where Mr. Miller currently holds the position of Deputy Chief Fire Marshal, the commission determined that Mr. Miller will conduct a fire safety assessment and inspection (smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, exit signs, etc.) and will report out at next meeting.

Charles Miller will contact previous Mason representative Len Bucher to obtain the Academy key from Len.

Don Gentile will contact Brian Droney to have the building thoroughly cleaned and will discuss needed repairs.

Don Gentile will contact the Historical Society PRESIDENT (OFFICER) Matt Radulski to solicit new representative for the Academy Commission

Don Gentile will also contact Rev. Joseph (Joe) Perdue of the First Congregational Church of Branford to follow up on a potential representative to the Commission.

Charles Miller brought up the need to remove barriers to Academy entry should a need for first responders (ie; police or/and fire department) need access. The concept of a 'knox -box' was discussed. Removing barriers to entry reduces injuries to responders and minimizes property damage. The concept of using a standard lock box was also discussed. The cost for both will be discussed and a plan to present our request to the First Selectman's office will be developed by Don.

Monthly building checks were discussed. Observations will be entered into the logbook. April and May – Charles Miller June and July – Don Gentile

Charles Miller is interested in holding an event at the Academy tentatively scheduled for May 16th, 2025. Don Gentile will forward an application to Charles Miller

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Motion to Adjourn 1:13 pm. Approved unanimously.

Submitted,

Don Gentile

Commission term of office, 5-year terms:

Don Gentile 1/30/2025 (Branford Historical Society)-

Albert Russell 1/30/2027 (At Large)

Charles Miller 1/30/29 (Masons)

Vacancy – (Congregational Church)

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