



Historic District Commission Sign Advisory Council

Commissioners: Chris Young (Chair), Kevin Kuester, Paul Wolf, Mark Cutone, Ben Normand

MINUTES

Tuesday June 16, 2026

Remote participation via Zoom.

I. Procedural Business

Call to order at 9:01 am.

Attending members: Chris Young, Ben Normand, Kevin Kuester, Mark Cutone

Absent members: Paul Wolf

Late arrivals: Cutone at 9:04am

Early Departures: none.

Motion to amend agenda removing the discussion with NIR made by Kuester; seconded by Normand.

Vote: Carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: 6/9/26- N/A

II. Public Comment -none

III. Commissioner Comments- none

IV. New Business

Signs

1. Linda Loring Found 14416 110 Eel Point Rd OB- Quarter board sign 32/33 Kelly Emery

Applicants: Seth Engelborg (Director of Education and Interpretation at LLNF and Kelly Emery, Nantucket Signs

Discussion-

Quarter board relocated to east exposure to align with new public entrance. Color scheme has been revised to differentiate the foundation from other conservation nonprofits on Nantucket.

Kuester- purple should be subdued.

Normand- background color appears to be the same color of the building. Makes it difficult to see.

Cutone- no concerns.

Young- Chantilly lace is not white- more cream-like color.

Motion to approve made by Normand; seconded by Young.

Carries unanimously.

2. Linda Loring Found 14418 110 Eel Point Rd OB- entrance sign 32/33 Kelly Emery

Applicants: Seth Engelborg (Director of Education and Interpretation at LLNF and Kelly Emery, Nantucket Signs

Discussion:

Changed to a Fence Sign

Engelborg- sign to be mounted on top rail, not bottom as initially shown.

Normand- no concerns with sign. Rock sign would be fine removing the branding name.

Cutone- sign location should be updated on the application.

Kuster- have it 2 signs at an entrance would start a bad precedent. Should decide which sign they want.

Young- leave rock with 110.

Engelborg- they need a physical street marker.

Motion to approve the fence sign located on the top rail and the LLNF text being removed from the rock sign made by Norman; seconded by Kuester.

Carries unanimously.

3. 19 Washington St LLC 14720 19 Washington St OB- projecting sign- Be ACK 42.3.1/95 Sign Here Nantucket

Applicant: Bob Grangrade, Sign Here Nantucket

Discussion:.

Revisions made: logo reduced to 15% of sign size; added bevel and increased thickness to 1 3/4 inches.

Cutone- no concerns.

Kuester- foreign to the guidelines.

Normand- no concerns.

Motion to approve made by Normand; seconded by Cutone.

Carries 3-1 (Kuester- nay)

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4. American Legion 14812 21 Washington St Temporary sign 42.3.1/40 Nicole DuPont

Applicant: Nicole DuPont

Discussion

Kuester- no concerns

Normand- no concerns.

Cutone- there is precedent for large scale banners.

Young- is oversized. If approved, the size should not be approved on a regular basis.

Motion to approve made by Kuester; seconded for discussion by Cutone; asked how it was secured. Seconded by Cutone.

Carries unanimously.

5. Vaios Theodorakos 14816 34 Center St Projecting sign- On a Whim 42.3.1/120 Brenner Signs

Applicant: Keri Garofalo, Brenner Signs

Discussion-

Normand- concerned with “by Cativo”. Likes the cursive nature. Suggests border should be more like the design. Concerned with font in clean frame.

Cutone- agrees with Normand. Suggests without blue sky background and “by Cativo”. Prefers option C. Doesn’t feel the “script” is offensive.

Kuester- applying 15% rule to ensure fairness. Typography is not appropriate.

Young- logo occupies ~1/3 of sign, exceeding typical 15% guideline. Logo shouldn’t be the driving factor of the sign.

Keuster- not in favor of branding. Made point of others like Bank of America, Xfinity.

Motion to Approve option C with the border to be Nantucket Red or a lighter pink made by Cutone.

Motion fails.

Kuester- the logo wont work at 15%. Suggests using a more traditional font.

Motion to hold for revisions made by Kuester; seconded by Normand

Carries unanimously.

Enforcement

Addressed signage violations. Challenge is identifying property ownership due to discrepancies in GIS.

Emphasis on better education for new businesses and staff about sign regulations.

Kuester- suggestion to inform applicant during the review process of refraining adding additional signage.

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Email distribution improved; Leslie's inclusion to be confirmed.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:52 made by Kuester, seconded by Normand