

**CITY OF NORWALK  
HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
JUNE 7, 2022  
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

ATTENDANCE: Dana Laird, Chair; Eric Chandler;  
Lisa Wilson Grant; Jordan Hensley; Mark Jackson;

OTHERS: David Westmoreland, Norwalk Historical Society

STAFF: Michelle Andrzejewski

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Laird called the special meeting of the Historical Commission to order at 7:08 p.m.

**2. DISCUSSION OF VOTE ON COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUES FOR  
LAFAYETTE BICENTENNIAL VISIT.**

Mr. Westmoreland explained that the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the General Lafayette return tour to the United States, 50 years after the Revolutionary War, will take place in 2024. The Historical Society is working with Len Friedman to do a small exhibit celebrating the time Lafayette came to Norwalk. They are looking to do a re-enactment of his visit.

The William G. Pomery Foundation is working on these activities on a nationwide basis and will supply and pay for an historic marker. Mr. Westmoreland said he feels this is significant and unique for Norwalk. He said he sent copies of suggested text and pictures of the marker to everyone He said he believes the best location is at Mill Hill. General Lafayette stayed at the Norwalk Hotel for about an hour. The Norwalk Hotel was located on Wall Street, near the bridge. He then traveled up Mill Hill.

Mr. Chandler said he looked at the furnished materials and they look fine. He agreed that placing the marker at Mill Hill will draw the most notice.

**\*\* MR. CHANDLER MOVED TO ACCEPT A COMMEMORATIVE  
PLAQUE FOR THE LAFAYETTE BICENTENNIAL VISIT  
\*\* MR. JACKSON SECONDED  
\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* MR. CHANDLER MOVED TO ADJOURN**  
**\*\* MR. HENSLEY SECONDED**  
**\*\* MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

There was no further business, and the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Lombardi  
Telesco Secretarial Services