

*Historic District/Heritage Commission
Minutes January 9, 2008*

Present: C.Pynn; K.Normington; N.Kopec

- *Discussion regarding zoning amendments as proposed by the Commission for March ballot. C.Pynn, B.Talbott and C.Webber attended this public hearing on December 12 and again on December 19 to speak to these amendments.*

#4: Lot 2-A-1325 *This zoning amendment asks the Town to vote to make this parcel an Historic District. It is Town owned property and is contiguous to the depot. The site contains intact cellar foundations of the Stickney General Store and barns. The planning board voted 7-0 to place this on the March ballot.*

#20: Demolition Delay Ordinance: *The Planning Board suggested some changes to the wording. The public hearing was continued to December 19th at which time the Board voted to place this amendment on the March ballot as approved by the Planning Board.*

- *C.Pynn has completed the HDC/Heritage report for the Town Report and has given it to Mr. Sullivan.*
- **Depot buildings:** *C.Pynn reported that plans are underway to begin restoration. The Commission discussed involvement in the design as final approval comes through the HDC. The DAC (Depot Advisory Committee) meetings are public and the Commission would be welcome to attend. The HDC would like to be kept informed as plans progress.*
- **Historic District signs:** *The Commission is pursuing marking one Historic District at a time as the cost per sign is higher than anticipated. The Commission will discuss using the money budgeted (\$1000) for the Town Center District with Mr. Sullivan and the Board of Selectmen. If possible, each of the five districts would be marked as funds permit. The five Historic Districts are:*
 1. *Town Center (Town hall, Armstrong Building, Bartley House, Senior Center, old fire station as planning and development, the Town Pound,*
 2. *Searles School and Chapel*
 3. *Union Hall in West Windham*
 4. *John Simpson cellar foundation on Marblehead Rd.*
 5. *Windham Depot (depot and freight buildings)*
- **Other business:** *Heritage and Historic District training will be held in Exeter and Franklin in January.*
- *Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm. Next meeting will be on February 13 at 4pm*

Respectfully submitted in draft form,
Carol Pynn,
Chair, Windham Historic District/Heritage Commission