

**Historic District/Heritage Commission**  
**Meeting March 12, 2008      4pm Planning and Development Office**

**Present:** C. Pynn, Chair; K.Normington; Nancy Kopec regular members; M.Crisler also attended; B.Talbott regular member excused

Meeting opened at 4pm

- **Review minutes February 13**  
*Motion to accept as written by K.Normington, 2<sup>nd</sup> by N.Kopec. Motion passed 3-0*
  
- **Depot Update**  
Responses from:
  1. Jim Garvin, State Architectural Historian: C.Pynn received response from Jim Garvin suggesting that we contact Maggie Stier from the Preservation Alliance. He sent the Commission's letter on to her.
  2. Maggie Stier, shared field representative responded to the Commission's message that she would be happy to meet with the HDC and the Depot Advisory Committee. She suggested that one of the Preservation Alliance small grants might be useful for the depot. She attached an application form to the e-mail. C.Pynn forwarded these e-mails to Mark Samsel Chairman of the Depot advisory Committee to pursue.
  
- **Historic District Signs:** Sewah Studios in Marietta, OH will be making the Town Center sign. Double sided cast aluminum-dark green with gold lettering., 7 foot pole. The town will be responsible for installation. Discussion ensued regarding letter style, wording and Town seal. C.Pynn has been in touch with the company to find if there is any price difference regarding number of words. K.Normington will work with Wendi Devlin to get a picture of the seal and possible layout. She will e-mail members before the next meeting.
  
- **London Bridge Causeway update:** Nick Letizio met with the School Board in informal discussion on March 6<sup>th</sup> to present his Eagle Scout project to clear and possibly mark the London Bridge Causeway. C.Pynn attended with him to explain that he had already met with the HDC/Heritage. The Commission is in full support of this project.
  
- **Resources for local commissions:** copies of handouts from January HDC training; websites for lists of resource included as part of February minutes.

**Communication from State:** "The old Stone Wall" newsletter is now online at [www.nh.gov/nhdhr/publications/stonewall/index.html](http://www.nh.gov/nhdhr/publications/stonewall/index.html). A new slide show on the DHR website home page is at [www.nh.gov/nhdhr](http://www.nh.gov/nhdhr).

National Alliance of Preservation Commissions announces first National Awards Program  
“Preserving Community Character” Spring Conference to be held at Plymouth State University on April 11 and 12<sup>th</sup>.

Letter from Mark Laurin, NH Bureau of Environment re: stone culvert on Rt 93. It appears that this structure is not in Windham. C.Pynn will contact Mr. Laurin for a better description of where it is located and dates of upcoming meetings between the State and the Town.

***Heritage and Historic District Training:*** seminar to be repeated on March 27 at the Lawrence Barn in Hollis, NH.

***Tax Incentives:*** Members read the informational packet and discussed exploring the possibilities of putting the Tax Relief Incentive RSA 79E for Community Revitalization and or Barn Tax Incentive on the Town ballot next year.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30

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