

**HISTORIC DISTRICT/HERITAGE COMMISSION
AGENDA/MINUTES MARCH 9, 2011**

Meeting opened at 4pm at Town Hall

Present: J. Parsons; N. Kopec, B. Parenteau, K.Normington .C Pynn

Guests: Karl Dubay-Dubay Group; William Crucius; Mr. Nault- Nault Honda

The meeting was advertised as a public meeting. No members of the public were in attendance.

- **TRC review:** February 22,2011 (**lot 3-B-360**) does not involve historic elements
(**lot 24-G-2**) does not involve historic elements
March 8, 2011: J.Parsons attended TRC meeting. No comments

- **Demolition application (lot 17-H-20)** 62 Range Road. William Crucius representing Crucius Family Trust wishes to demolish historic house. Letter to Mr. Crucius on March 1, requested that he or a representative attend the HC meeting on March 8. Karl Dubay of the Dubay Group, Crucius, owner and Mr. Nault attended the meeting to discuss possible alternatives to demolition. The house is eligible for listing on the National Register under criterion “C” as an unusual and unique example of a variation of the Federal Style (see New Hampshire Dept of Historic Resources invitatory 1994) Mr. Dubay presented ideas for preserving the house. This opened a dialogue for discussion only. The proposal is to preserve the entire building. It would be moved a short way up Range Road and set onto a new foundation. The move would be slightly further up Range Road next to the Nault property. The project would involve Mr. Crucius, Mr. Nault and Alex Ray. Mr. Crucius was given a copy of the 1994 NHDHR survey. The Commission will be kept involved as plans progress. Mr. Crucius has given the Commission to photograph the property. The Commission is in agreement that support will be given for variances required. Discussion ensued regarding demolition permit form. Presently this permit is combined with a building permit.
 - **Log Cabin (lot 11-A-520))** 13 Indian Rock Rd. the property is for sale. Ralph Valentine of Valentine Group is the realtor. The HC has contacted Mr. Valentine and given him information regarding the historic importance of the log cabin. The 1994 NHDHR survey states that the cabin is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as an excellent example of “saddle notch” construction. The property falls under the Village Center District Ordinance. The Commission requested that this information be forwarded to the owner.

- **Fellows House and Barn:** Copies of Planning Board minutes of May 2006, October 2008 and January 2009 regarding proposals for development by the Mesitis were noted and presented. Ms. Pynn has been in contact with Alex Ray. Mr. Ray was asked to delay purchase until plans for the property are presented to the Planning Board.
- Water color prints of the Fellows house/barn are for sale by the Commission. The painting was done by artist Sheila Pсалades and will sell for \$30. The Commission will make \$20 per print to be used for historic resources.
- A Village Center color booklet has been compiled by the HC and the Historic Society. It is the story of the original village, the people who lived here, their professions and the history of their houses. All the houses are still on the original lots. The booklet will be available to the public as a short history of the village center
- Update on DOT Rt 111 expansion: the newest plan shows a 4 lane highway with median strip and 4 roundabouts. The plan as presented removes the historic Village Center.
- Review minutes February 9: motion to accept by J. Parsons with a second by N. Kopec. Motion carried 4-0
- Noted that workforce housing was voted down at Town Meeting (1201-712) The commission would like to know if this effectively removes Workforce Housing from the Village Center District. Design **review** was discussed . The Commission feels that design **regulations** are needed
- Meeting adjourned at 5:45

The next HDC/HC meeting will be on April 13.

These minutes are presented in draft form and have not yet been accepted by the Commission

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Pynn, Chair