

TOWN OF HEBRON
HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
RUSSELL MERCIER SENIOR CENTER
JUNE 9, 2010
7:00pm

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Members Present: D. Watson, L. Bordick, M.A. Foote and D. McCalla

Members Absent: R. Cassata

Alternates Present: Brian Tarbell (in at 8:01pm)

Alternates Absent: S. Morin

1 CALL TO ORDER

D. Watson called the Regular Meeting of the Hebron Historic Properties Commission to order at 7:08pm on Wednesday, June 9, 2010. Regular members present at the Call to Order are D. Watson, L. Bordick, M.A. Foote and D. McCalla.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 12, 2010

It was noted that throughout the document “Bonnie Therrin” should be correctly spelled “Bonnie Therrien.”

Motion:

M.A. Foote moved to approve the May 12, 2010, Regular Meeting minutes as amended. L. Bordick seconded and the motion passed unanimously (4-0-0).

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. OBSERVATION POST

D. Watson reported on her and S. Morin’s meeting with B. Therrien regarding the potential move of the Observation Post and that B. Therrien felt that a decision was needed from the Church before the matter is brought before the Board of Selectmen (hereinafter referred to as BOS.) L. Bordick stated that she feels that the BOS should determine the location so that a plan can be presented to the Church and D. McCalla and M.A. Foote agreed. Members discussed preparing a letter to the Church proposing the move of the Post and supplying the Church with the location options considered by the HHPC. It was also noted that the letter should contain that the recommendation of the HHPC is to move the Post to the north side of the Town Office Complex subject to BOS final approval.

L. Bordick reported that Andy Bordick informally discussed the proposed move of the Post to the American Legion and that the Legion members are excited to be a part of it.

It was decided that L. Bordick and M.A. Foote would work on the draft letter to the Church and circulate it to HHPC members for input.

D. McCalla discussed the Eagle Scout projects relative to the Post including painting of the inside and possible installation of the observation tower.

b. PRESERVE AMERICA

D. Watson reported that she presented the HHPC's proposed location for the sign to B. Therrien who was agreeable to the location but that she has not heard back and will follow up.

Members discussed the status of the Preserve America grant relative to the Peters' House.

c. PREPARATION OF INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HISTORIC DESIGNATION OF THREE PROPERTIES

- i. 44 PORTER STREET
- ii. 80 HARD
- iii. 780 GILEAD STREET

D. Watson reported that in order to be considered at the July 17, 2010, meeting of the CT Commission on Culture and Tourism, the reports would need to be delivered to them by June 18, 2010. All members agreed that this was not possible. The next scheduled meeting of the CT Commission is on August 4, 2010, which has a mid-July deadline to get the reports delivered. D. Watson will confirm the dates the reports need to be delivered by and M.A. Foote and L. Bordick agreed to work together to finalize the reports for the July 14, 2010, HHPC meeting.

d. REPORT ON FREEDOM OF INFORMATION FROM BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING OF MAY 8, 2010

D. Watson stated that she attended the All Boards and Commission Meeting which focused on the Freedom of Information Act and that at the next meeting she will provide members with a copy of the handout. Members briefly discussed the specifics regarding Regular Meetings versus Special Meetings and their respective requirements. Members also discussed how the Freedom of Information Act applies to the publishing of the Historic Properties Inventory.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. DISCUSS MEETING SCHEDULE

D. Watson stated that typically the HHPC cancels a meeting in the summer but that because of the on-going work on the local designation reports it is not possible to cancel the July 14, 2010 meeting. L. Bordick asked that consideration be given to changing the regularly scheduled meetings to the 1st Wednesday of each month.

b. ANY OTHER NEW BUSINESS

D. Watson provided members with a copy of the *CT Preservation News May/June 2010, Vol. XXXIII No. 3* which contained a picture of the Peters House on the front cover and an article about Hebron being honored with the Community Vision Award specific for Hebron's preservation of the Peters House.

D. Watson also provided members with the program from the event honoring D. McCalla as a Distinguished Advocate for Excellence in Culture and Tourism.

M.A. Foote questioned when BL Companies will begin work on the Peters House. D. McCalla stated that the BOS recently approved the bid of BL Companies and noted that the \$35,000 must be spent by the deadline.

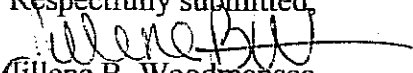
L. Bordick noted that the BOS appears to have questions regarding the history as it relates to the Peters House and members discussed preparing and presenting a statement to the BOS in an effort to clear up any misunderstandings.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

M.A. Foote moved to adjourn the June 9, 2010, Regular Meeting of the Historic Properties Commission at 8:45pm. D. McCalla seconded and the motion passed unanimously (4-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,


Jillene B. Woodmansee
Board Clerk