

TOWN OF HEBRON
HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
RUSSELL MERCIER SENIOR CENTER
SEPTEMBER 1, 2010
7:00pm

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Members Present: D. Watson and M.A. Foote
Members Absent: R. Cassata and L. Bordick
Alternates Present: S. Morin and B. Tarbell (in at 7:27pm)

1 CALL TO ORDER

D. Watson called the Regular Meeting of the Hebron Historic Properties Commission to order at 7:03pm on Wednesday, September 1, 2010. Present at the Call to Order are regular members D. Watson and M.A. Foote and alternate member S. Morin. S. Morin is seated for L. Bordick.

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 11, 2010

S. Watson stated her thanks to L. Bordick for doing the August 11th minutes.

It was noted that on Page 2, under the heading of “Any Other Old Business” item v. should read, “Town is dragging **its** feet and has jeopardized the Hebron Historical Society’s ability to raise money for this and all future **projects**...” In item vi. under the same heading, the second “hired” should be deleted. Under the heading of “New Business” the second sentence of item a. should read, “She recommends the HPC work on this in conjunction with the town annual report.”

Motion:

M.A. Foote moved to approve the August 11, 2010, Regular Meeting minutes as amended. B. Tarbell seconded and the motion passed (3-0-1, S. Morin abstained).

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. RESTORATION STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

M.A. Foote provided a copy of the *Restoration of the Peters House* report which was prepared for the Town of Hebron by BL Companies to S. Morin for her review and explained that this document contains proposed renovations which BL Companies recommends be done. M.A. Foote also reviewed those details in the house which she

expressed to BL be preserved, including the birthing room and the bench seating in the ballroom.

D. Watson briefly discussed how the Restoration Steering Committee was formed and its charge. Members also discussed that the 1772 Grant funds are to be used first and specifically designated for work to be done on the Ell.

D. Watson stated that it is currently unclear who has control of the 1772 grant funds (the Town or the Hebron Historical Society) but that it will be the Historical Society which will put the job for the foundation of the Ell out to bid.

b. OBSERVATION POST STATUS

M.A. Foote reported that the Post has been released to the Town from the Church. She also noted that Town Clerk, Carla Pomprowicz, is looking into how much it will cost to copy the scrapbook which contains information related to the Post. It was agreed that Dan Arnni should be contacted regarding moving the Post and that an email should be sent out to the families of the Scouts which have been or are interested in being involved. It was also agreed that all individuals involved in the move of the Post should meet with Town Manager, B. Therrien.

c. LOCAL HISTORIC DESIGNATION SCHEDULE

D. Watson provided members with the *Timeline for Historic Property Designations* which outlines all of the statutory deadlines which need to be met in order for this Commission to locally designate properties. She noted that the Public Hearing for the designation of 44 Porter, 780 Gilead and 80 Hardy Rd. has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 7:00pm at the Senior Center and that on August 30th letters were sent to the homeowners of the proposed designated properties advising them of the Public Hearing. She also noted that the Legal Notice of Public Hearing has been submitted to the *Rivereast* for publication.

Members reviewed which documents will need to be presented and discussed at the upcoming Public Hearing and B. Tarbell volunteered to read the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation. D. Watson asked that each member be familiar with the research on all three (3) properties and be prepared to answer any questions from the homeowners.

D. Watson explained that the mandatory objection period to local historic designation will expired on October 15th and that objections can be brought to the attention of the BOS or the HHPC. She also noted that the BOS will meet on October 21st and that the potential date for the BOS to hold their Public Hearing is November 4th. D. Watson reviewed that the BOS can accept the recommendation of the HHPC for local designation of the properties, reject it, or ask that revisions be made.

Members discussed when it is most appropriate to make the recommended edits to the preliminary reports and it was agreed that the presentation to the BOS should include the recommended edits made by the Historic Preservation Council. It was also noted that during the Public Hearing on September 15th the HHPC can explain to the property owners what edits have been made to the reports and why.

Members discussed scheduling a Special Meeting of the HHPC for September 15th following the Public Hearing.

d. CLG GRANT APPLICATION AND OTHER GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

M.A. Foote stated that she and L. Bordick met and are working on this item.

e. ANY OTHER OLD BUSINESS

None

f. ANNUAL REPORTS STATUS

D. Watson tabled this Agenda item until the next regular meeting.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

D. Watson reviewed the August 20, 2010, correspondence from Chairman of the BOS, Jeff Watt, which states that the BOS has accepted the resignation of Donna McCalla from the Hebron Historic Properties Commission.

D. Watson also noted that she received an email from the CT Trust regarding an upcoming Barn Workshop in Windham.

5. NEW BUSINESS

D. Watson discussed the oral histories which were done by Town Clerk, Carla Pomprowicz, and that one of Lloyd Gray, a WWII pilot, should be considered as a future project because it directly relates to the Observation Post.

a. HPC VACANCIES

D. Watson stated that there is currently one regular member vacancy on the HHPC and M.A. Foote added that in the near future there may be a vacancy for an alternate. All members were asked to invite anyone they think might be interested to a future meeting.

b. ANY NEW BUSINESS

D. Watson requested that all members review Hebron's Plan of Conservation and Development for future reference.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

B. Tarbell moved to adjourn the September 1, 2010, Regular Meeting of the Historic Properties Commission at 8:56pm. M.A. Foote seconded and the motion passed unanimously (4-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,


Jillene B. Woodmansee
Board Clerk