

## Historic District Commission Minutes

January 3, 2002

Attending: Gail Pare, Winnie Welch, Barbara Myers, Barbara Hill, Laura Coleman, Pam Blevins, Jack O'Reilly, Selectman.

Absent: Suzie Carmichel

Also attending: Ellen Marlatt from AIC, LLC

Meeting was held in the Historical Society room at the Old Town Hall.

4:05 PM Minutes of November 20, 2001 were approved as presented.

A concept drawing of a proposed railing for the front of the library was discussed. Jack O'Reilly said that the funds for the railing would come out of the 2002 budget. The HDC voted to approve concept A with the request that any bids for the work comply with the concept A specifications.

Annual Reports for the various committees and commissions will be due at the end of this month.

There was a request to fix the telephone at the Old Town Hall so there were not miscalls for the Newington Town Hall. It was suggested that the phone be listed as Newington Historical Society.

There was a vote to approve IAC, LLC, archeological consultants, and contract to work with the HDC on the CLG grant to document the Agricultural Landscape of Newington, in particular the vanishing apple orchards of Newington. The proposal was read and described. The Old Town Hall will be used as the work site. USGPS mapping will be included, aerial maps will be used to fit with the wetlands survey that Conservation Commission is doing. Work sheets were distributed, oral histories will be recorded, and pictures collected. Possible resources such as Poverty Farm and Farnum Hill orchards were suggested. The winter research and the spring fieldwork were suggested.

Friday January 10, 2002 at 9:30 AM there will be progress meeting at the Old Town Hall for those who can come.

Upstairs in the Old Town Hall will be used and the old furniture from the Town Hall will be used up there.

The Train Depot lease has not been settled with the DOT. This will be pursued so that the NH Coastal Program grant can be considered next year.

The 2002 cemetery budget requested \$1500 to restore stonewalls in the cemetery. It was suggested that the Cemetery Committee talk to the HDC about their plans and the use of the rocks stored in the Town Forest.

There was a reminder that the \$500 donation by Wal-Mart to the Town for stonewall repair be put aside so it does not get lost in the General Fund. Also any other donations are made to the Historical Society, which has the tax status receive donations.

Adjourn: 5:30 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 18, 2002 at Old Town Hall

Barbara Hill, Recorder