

## Historic District Commission Minutes

March 26, 2002

Attending: Barbara Hill, Barbara Myers, Gail Pare, Pam Blevins, Winnie Welch, Jack O'Reilly, Jan Stuart.

Absent: Laura Coleman, Suzie Carmichel.

4:10 PM Minutes of February 19, 2002 approved as written.

Correspondence was reviewed. The NH DOT will be having a hearing in Newington on April 9, 2002 at 7PM. Other correspondence included a Land Use Conference in Manchester on April 4, 2002.

Jan Stuart was welcomed as the new Selectman's representative.

CLG progress included Barbara Myer's review of Jackson Hoyt's diaries to gather information about the apple orchard industry in Newington. Old apple orchard pictures have been scanned and digitized, including some aerial photos of Newington. Old town tax records and probate records have revealed the history of orchards. All this data will produce the documentation for the history of apple orchards in Newington.

Barbara Hill will be meeting with Steve Adler, Principal of the Newington School to discuss a curriculum activity for the students at the school.

A letter was read from Philip Miles, Property Manager for NHDOT, regarding the Old Train Station. Barbara Hill will investigate what conversation the HDC, NHDHR and the Newington Selectmen can have with the NHDOT.

Jack O'Reilly continues to work on the status of the Old Town Forest with the PDA, the Air Force and Senator Judd Gregg.

The 48 star flag, donated by Carl Ackerley, was flown on the USS Texas battleship. Winnie Welch will get it cleaned and stored. The Historical Society will store the flag. The Newington Selectmen will pay for the cost of cleaning and storing the flag after a proposal has been submitted to them.

The terms for the Historic District Commission members are incorrect in the Town Report for 2002. The corrected terms and members will be sent to the Newington Selectmen. RSA 673 specifies that the HD Commission members cannot be more than 7 and alternates cannot be more than 5 and that the staggered terms will be for 3 years. Terms expiring in 2003 will be Gail Pare and Pam Blevins. Terms expiring in 2004 will be Winnie Welch and Laura Coleman. Terms expiring in 2005 will be Barbara Hill, Barbara Myers and Suzie Carmichel. Jan Stuart will be the Selectmen's representative. Members were encouraged to invite new people to be alternates.

The Historic District Commission voted to reappoint Gail Pare and Suzie Carmichel as representatives to the Open Space Committee. April 18 is the next meeting of the committee.

There was a discussion about the use of the upstairs at the Old Town Hall. It was mentioned that the Historical Society might want to use it as a temporary storage for their annual Yard Sale. It was suggested that the Historical Society should request space from the Selectmen. Jan Suggested that perhaps there could be space available at the Carriage House at Fox Point.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Next Meeting will be April 23, 2002 at the Old Town Hall at 4:00 PM

Barbara Hill, Recorder