

Historic District Commission - Draft Minutes

Town of Canterbury, NH  
Historic District Commission

Date: 2025 July 16

Location: Meeting House

Members Present: Kevin Bragg (Chair), Alex Young, Calvin Todd

Members Absent: Anne Emerson, Harvey Kinter

Others Present: Daimon Meeh

1. Call to Order

K. Bragg called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.

A quorum was declared with 3 members present

2. Presentation of Application and request for Waiver of Public Hearing

Daimon Meeh presented his application for the installation of solar panels to his barn roof. The contractor is 603 Solar, used throughout Canterbury for this purpose.

The plan includes 28 black panels in 2 rows across the top of the original barn. There will be no trenching between the barn and the house. There will be an alternative cutoff switch on the southeast corner of the house next to the electric meter. There is no planned installation date at this time.

Discussion followed regarding the view from the road and whether the abutters could see the barn. The house blocks the barn from the street and the view looking down the driveway is minimal, looking at the lower corner of the barn where the panels will not be visible. Although trees block the view seasonally, this cannot be considered on a year-round basis.

K. Bragg suggested the Historic District Commission approve the project as the town of Canterbury does seek alternative energy sources, particularly for historic buildings. He requested a motion to approve the application for the project; so moved by C. Todd and seconded by A. Young. A vote was taken and the project approved.

K. Bragg noted the criteria for granting a Waiver of Public Hearing, being that the project

Is not contrary to the spirit of the ordinance;

Is not visible from the road;

Is not visible to abutters.

He requested a motion for the HDC to grant the Waiver of Public Hearing, moved by C. Todd and seconded by A. Young. A vote was taken and the motion approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the February 19, 2025 and June 18, 2025 meetings were presented for approval. Approval of the February 19 meeting was postponed until members who were present at that meeting are in attendance. Minutes from the June 18 meeting were accepted without comment.

A question arose regarding HDC approval for repair and the discussion turned to the extent of repairs. K. Bragg noted that even a repair is best noted on record as the project could become more extensive than originally anticipated. The building inspector would verify the repair/replacement is done with like materials and in a like manner.

#### 4. Discussion

C. Todd discussed the benefit of having recording secretaries and chair persons of each committee meet to determine a uniform process for committee meetings, agendas and minutes. K. Bragg agreed he would be involved.

#### 5. Adjournment of Meeting

With no further business to discuss, C. Todd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by A. Young. The motion was approved and the meeting ended at 7:41p.m.