

Historic District Commission

Canterbury, NH

Minutes of Meeting

16 April 2025

Present were: Chairman Kevin Bragg, Ann Emerson, Alex Young and Selectboard Representative Calvin Todd.

Chairman Bragg called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Discussion by those present about the Commission make up. Additional members are needed as well as alternates. Discussion of what the Commission does, its character and esthetics. There is a need for a secretary. Advised Micelle Hammond is moving into the Land Use Administrator position when Jan Stout leaves in May. She will no longer be available to do secretarial works for this or other boards. Lisa Carlson will do the secretarial work for this Commission until a permanent secretary can be found. Chairman Bragg asked if 7 PM is still a good time for meetings because of new configuring of current Commission members. It is.

Chairman Bragg noted the HOC website is still not up to date, but being worked upon. Selectman Todd offered to speak with Jan Stout and Michelle Hammond about completing it.

Chairman Bragg advised he has spoken with Shaker Village Director Erin Hammerstedt about upcoming projects. The first project is replacing the roof and doing window work on the Meeting House. Of particular note will be the attention needed to mullions that have unique Shaker styles. They may want to put exterior storm windows on to preserve them. Also mentioned was a product put out by the Munson Company. This may necessitate a hearing. Historicore may do the work (an Americore type program for preservation carpenters, per se). He advised Erin is looking to do work on eight buildings. An Alteration Request Form to the state needs to be done, he advised.

Ann asked about the Historic District Commission's involvement in the Sam Lake House proposed garage project. A public hearing is required. Selectman Todd provided a spec sheet for the chair to review with those present. Discussion was had about options for cedar and cement siding. It is the intention of those planning to recreate the sliding garage door as an original part of the garage. Chairman Bragg asked about landscaping and access. He also voiced concerns about the cost of lead paint abatement. He noted no drawings were provided and asked are there any. A brief discussion of involving local tradespeople in the project as advisors ensued. Discussion about financial ability to complete the project followed. Selectman Todd will provide Chairman Bragg a prospectus. Chairman Bragg will ask that it be posted on the website.

Chairman Bragg advised those present the HOC meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7 PM. This is a committed meeting time. A brief discussion took place about the HOC and "use" (no provision currently in our ordinances).

Motion to adjourn at 7:40 PM made by Chairman Bragg. Seconded by Ann Emerson. Unanimous vote to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Carlson