

Canaan Historic District (HDC) Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2007
Senior Center, Canaan, NH

Approved Minutes

Members Present: John Bergeron (JB), Jonathan Garthwaite (JG), Jay Waldner (JW) ex officio

Alternate Members Present: Dan Fleetham Sr.

Member of the Public in Attendance: Skip Baldwin, Andrew Mulligan

7:00 Meeting called to order.

7:04 Dan Fleetham appointed as acting regular member.

7:08 Minutes of 3-19-2007 HDC Meeting Read

Motion to approve: JG / 2nd JW

Motion Passed

7:10 Discussion of candidates for HDC open positions

There are currently two open positions: One regular member and one alternate. There were three written responses to the candidate questionnaire. (Skip Baldwin, Bruce Barrett, Andrew Mulligan). Other interested parties include: Matt Dow, Dan Fleetham, and Brian Birner. JB read letter from Rainie Kelly expressing endorsement of Bruce Barrett. Skip Baldwin presented his response to the questionnaire. Andrew Mulligan presented his response to the questionnaire. JB read some verbal (via telephone) responses from Brian Birner.

Dan Fleetham expressed his interest in moving to a regular position. Remainder of commission members agree. This move changes both open positions to alternate. JB discussed option of associate membership. Associate members would be invited to join as non-voting members of the commission and would be welcome to participate in all discussions in all commission meetings.

Discussion regarding number of qualified applicants and the commission's desire to encourage involvement.

Motion to recommend to the Selectboard: Dan Fleetham to be appointed regular member. Skip Baldwin and Andrew Mulligan to be appointed as alternates. JG / 2nd JW

Motion Passed.

Commission to create two Associate Member positions. Brian Birner and Bruce Barrett to be invited and strongly encouraged to accept positions.

Motion Passed.

7:55 Public Hearing: Canaan Lake Association Beach Sign Proposal

JW recused in order to present on behalf of Canaan Lake Association.

JW reviewed details of proposal including construction details and placement of sign. Sign to be two dimensional and placed near the top of the boat ramp at Canaan Street Lake with care taken to respect the viewshed of abutters.

Motion to accept proposal with the amendment that the sign shall not exceed 8' in height, 8' in width and 2' in depth. JG / DF2nd

Motion Passed.

8:25 Annual Election of Officers

Motion to re-elect Rainie Kelly as Secretary and John Bergeron as Chair. DF / JW2nd

Motion Passed.

8:30 Other Business

A sign has been placed on a telephone pole near Canaan Street Beach advertising Evermore Gardens. JB to remove sign and contact Evermore Gardens regarding signage rules in the Historic District.

Motion to increase abutter notification fee to \$3.25 in order to reflect increased cost of mailings and postal rates. JG / JW2nd

Motion Passed

8:40 Motion to Adjourn DF / JW2nd

Motion Passed

8:41 Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Garthwaite