

**Canaan Historic District (HDC) Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2007
Senior Center, Canaan, NH**

Approved Minutes

Members Present: John Bergeron (JB), Rainie Kelly (RK), Dan Fleetham (DF)
Tom Hudgens (TH) ex officio. **Absent:** Jonathan Garthwaite (JG)

Alternate Members Present: Andrew Mulligan (AM): **Absent** Skip Baldwin (SB), Matt Dow

7:10- Meeting called to order. AM appointed to vote in place of JG

7:15 Minutes of meeting of 11/19/07 read.

Motion to accept with minor changes: DF, 2nd:TH. Motion Passed

7:20 Discussion of Historic Signs

Consensus is to offer choice of size and style of signs produced by Ould Colony Artisans in order to enable residents to choose between one, two or three lines of text, in addition to the date of construction. Majority prefer style used in Medford, MA for signs with logo (outline of Meetinghouse used on town website). Other choice would be a simple rectangle (12x16 or smaller?) to accommodate more lines of text.

JB and TH will work together to produce samples of signs we would offer.

RK will call Ould Colony to determine size of Medford sign as well as background color choices. RK will also try to locate original of image of Meetinghouse used on town website.

7:50 Cardigan Mt. School's sale of land at the Pinnacle

No discussion of this topic since land lies outside the Historic District.

7:55 Shoreline Protection Act: JB informed members of the following changes to this act, effective 4/01.08:

- 1: All buildings will have to be located at least 50' from the shore
2. There will be a change in the calculation governing the cutting of trees on shoreline properties
3. Any lot created after April 1, 2008 will have to be approved by DES

8:05 Other

JB shared information about a training course for HDC members to be held on January 10, 2008 in Franklin, NH. JB and RK indicated interest in attending. JB will look into whether the town will cover the \$35 cost of the course.

RK will contact Paula Small (real-estate agent) regarding sale of Opel house to determine if new buyers have been informed about the Historic District and given a copy of the brochure and regulations. If not, she will see that they receive these documents.

8:10 Motion to adjourn: (JB). 2nd:TH. Motion passed.

Rainie Kelly, Secretary

Next Meeting: January 21, 2008

Please contact JB if you cannot attend.