

Town of Kingston, New Hampshire  
Historic District Commission  
Minutes of Meeting  
January 13, 2015 – ? PM

**Present:** Virginia Morse (Chair), Glenn Coppelman (Planning Board Representative), Charlotte Boutin (Vice Chair), George Korn (Board of Selectmen Representative) and Stanley Shalet (non-voting member) were present.

**Absent:** Stacey Smoyer and Susan Prescott were absent.

**Minutes:** Virginia noted that the November minutes were missing. Virginia stated that she and the Administrative Assistant are having issues connecting via email and that Adrienne had expressed a desire to resign from the position. There was discussion regarding the missing minutes, communication issues and possible resolution. Virginia stated that she would contact Adrienne via phone.

**Correspondence:**

Virginia stated that Ellen Faulconer provided updates for the KMBC member binders. Virginia distributed the updates to the HDC members.

Virginia thanked the Board of Selectmen's office, Catherine Grant and Cathy Sanford, for their efforts in helping the HDC residents connect with Virginia regarding work being done within the HDC. She noted how difficult it is for work to be undone and that the goal is to educate residents so that the HDC can review applications when necessary prior to the work being started. She stated even repairs have been discussed with Virginia and although a permit is not required, it is another way for residents to understand the HDC's involvement in the town.

**Board Updates:**

**Planning Board (Glenn Coppelman)-** N/A Planning Board

**CIP (Glenn Coppelman) –** Work has been completed. The information will be presented for adoption at the next meeting. Virginia asked if there was any "hot" Warrant Articles. Glenn stated that he didn't feel there were any controversial items. He stated that there was some wording that is being addressed. There was discussion regarding the political correctness or wording used in the town ordinances and such.

**Board of Selectmen (George Korn) –** George stated that the Heritage Commission is working on the Grace Daley House. The Bartlett House is another project that the Heritage Commission is interested in getting involved in. George stated that the Nichols Library Building is also an active ongoing project. Virginia noted that there has been lots of work done on the bandstand already. George stated that the Heritage Commission has been active in making suggestions regarding the construction being done.

**Video**

Virginia stated that she got the information to a company for the making of the labels for the videos. She stated that she encumbered the funds for the project. Virginia stated that the videos cannot be reproduced until releases have been completed for the use of all of the music used in the video. Virginia stated that she has received releases from all but one group which she is waiting for a response from. There was discussion regarding alternative solutions.

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48 **Sanborn Campus**

49 Virginia stated that there is no new information except that there is an upcoming meeting  
50 scheduled. She stated that she would attend and then report back any new information at the  
51 next HDC meeting. There was discussion regarding the possibility of Kingston purchasing the  
52 property to remove it from the School District which would remove the Town of Newton from  
53 the equation.

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55 **New Business**

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57 **Members-** Virginia Morse asked for the current HDC members to recruit new members. Glenn  
58 Coppelman suggested a newspaper article or having something posted on the Town's cable  
59 station. Glenn noted that a personal contact would be the best solution. Virginia stated that it  
60 does not need to be an individual living in the Historic Districts.

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62 **Country Store-** Virginia asked Stanley to give an update. Stanley stated that the last owner  
63 could not pay the mortgage so there was an amended deed done. He went on to talk about the  
64 bank and the owner. There was a first and then second auction on the property. Stanley explained  
65 some of the ins and out of the process from his personal involvement. The ending of the story  
66 was that the property had been purchased but there was no new information available.

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68 **Next Meeting-** March 10<sup>th</sup> would be the next scheduled meeting. Glenn suggested that the  
69 meeting be held as scheduled. George Korn suggested not holding the March meeting unless an  
70 application was to arise that called for a meeting. It was agreed that the next meeting would be  
71 held in April as previously scheduled unless something were to arise requiring a meeting be held  
72 in March. Virginia stated that if that were to occur, she would communicate with the HDC  
73 members to confirm a March meeting.

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75 **A motion was made by George Korn to adjourn at 7:40 P.M. Charlotte Boutin 2nd the**  
76 **motion. All in Favor. No Opposed. Meeting Adjourned.**