

Town of Kingston, New Hampshire
Historic District Commission
Minutes of Meeting
May 14, 2013 7:12 PM

New Business: The Commission began the meeting by reviewing the application for Lewis Dodge's property on Main Street. Virginia Morse read the application and clarified what did and did not need the approval of the HDC. Lewis stated that the intent was to restore the building and remove some structures from the property. Virginia explained the condition of the structures being referred to. She described them as plain, rectangular structures used for storage. She asked Lewis about the shed structures attached to the home and farm. Lewis provided the members with photos which were discussed. Judy Rubin read information from the Walking Tour brochure regarding the home and the research that had been done on the home. Judy expressed concern regarding the removal of the structures that were original to the home, noting the porch specifically. Lewis stated that his belief is that the porch was added later on and that his intent is to replace anything removed with structures and features that are truer to the time period of the house. Virginia stated that she had visited the property and agreed with Lewis' opinion that the porch was added at a later date. Virginia asked for a drawing of the property's current footprint, what the footprint will look like after the work in the application and a drawing of what the porch and other changes will look like. Virginia explained the time period and the process for acquiring a building permit for a property within the Historic District. Judy Rubin asked if a certificate of approval could be issued for part of the application. Judy Rubin Made a Motion to grant a certificate of approval for the removal of the two plywood, unattached structures and one vinyl sided unattached garage, adding that Lewis would return with the requested information to acquire an additional certificate of approval for the remainder of work on the application. Charlotte Boutin 2nd the Motion. All in Favor, 1 Opposed, Motion Carried.

Present: Virginia Morse, Judy Rubin, George Korn (Board of Selectmen), John Flanders, Charlotte Boutin

Absent: Glenn Coppelman, Stanley Shalett

Minutes: Minutes from the April 9, 2013. John Flanders made a motion to approve the minutes from April 9, 2013. George Korn 2nd the motion. All in Favor. No Opposed votes. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Virginia Morse stated that there was another application received from John and Lynne Merrill for a property on Church St. Virginia stated that they have applied for a grant to replace the siding and the windows. Virginia stated that Lynn has not received the grant information at this point but will update the application as soon as they are able.

Board Updates:
Board of Selectmen, George Korn- He stated that he has been absent from the last few meetings and has no updates.
Planning Board- Virginia stated that the Planning Board members were at a special meeting which is why they were not present.

47 **Old Business:**

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49 **School District:** Judy Rubin stated that she had spoken to Nancy Ross with the School Board
50 and was told that the School Board was very focused on the Seminary Project. Judy made it
51 known that the HDC was willing to assist in any way.
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53 **New Business:**

54 **Kingston Chronicles:** Virginia stated that she submitted Don Clark's article. Stanley was absent
55 and has not submitted his article. Judy stated that she is working on an article.
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57 **Membership:** Virginia Morse stated that any members that signed up again would need to sign
58 their appointment paperwork.
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60 **Heritage Committee:** Virginia stated that Charlotte Boutin has agreed to join the Heritage
61 Committee.
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63 **Misc:** Virginia stated that Catherine Grant did a wonderful job on the paperwork for the Certified
64 Local Government application.
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66 **New Application:** Virginia read the changes that were made to the application based on the
67 discussion from the previous month's meeting. The changes were reviewed. Judy Rubin
68 suggested that if they were to be printed double sided, the word "over" should be added to bring
69 attention to the second page. George Korn commended Virginia for her effort and work that she
70 had put into the project.
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72 **Seacoast Area HDC and HC meeting:** Virginia stated that she had attended the meeting. She
73 reported on the meeting. She stated that there was lots of information sharing and networking.
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75 **Election of Officers:** Virginia stated that a formal election of officers needed to be held. George
76 Korn stated that he was pleased with the current officers but asked if the formal election should
77 be postponed to the next meeting. It was agreed that the election would be done at the June
78 meeting.
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80 **Video expense:** Virginia stated that since the HDC budget had not been reduced, then the project
81 should be discussed. George stated that his opinion would be to get the project underway as soon
82 as possible. Virginia stated that she would create an agreement to be signed by Evelyn Nathan
83 and the HDC before the June meeting for the HDC to review.
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85 **MISC:**

86 Judy Rubin stated that the June meeting would be her last with the HDC. She stated that she will
87 be moving at the end of June.
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89 George Korn stated that there has been new signage displayed at Bucco's Restaurant and asked if
90 it had been approved. There was discussion regarding the signage and the ordinances. Virginia
91 stated that she would research the ordinances and verify what is allowed.
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Next Meeting: June 11, 2013

A motion was made by John Flanders to adjourn at 8:25 P.M.

Judy Rubin 2nd the motion. All in Favor. No Opposed. Meeting Adjourned.

Virginia Morse, chair