

# Town of East Windsor East Windsor Historic Preservation Commission 11 Rye Street Broad Brook, CT 06016

Minutes – March 8, 2012

A regular meeting of the East Windsor Historic Preservation Commission was held on Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the East Windsor Town Hall located at 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT.

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 P.M.

- I. A quorum was established.
- II. <u>Minutes:</u> There were no minutes to approve.

## III. Correspondence:

- a. Pamphlet from Cenaxo
- b. National Preservation Trust 2012 Seminar brochure
- c. Rediscover Main Street Conference brochure
- d. Memo from First Selectman's Office: Jan. 20, 2012. Confirms Mr. Jim Richards as the liaison from the Board of Selectman.
- e. Memo from First Selectman's Office: Jan. 31, 2012. To fill vacancies on the EWHPC.
- f. Letter from the First Selectman's Office: Feb. 23, 2012. Appointing Mr. Kirk Montstream as a regular member of the EWHPC.
- g. Memo from the First Selectman's Office: Jan. 26, 2012. Budget.
- h. Preservation Magazine
- i. CT Preservation Trust Newsletter
- j. CT Trust for Historic Preservation: CT Local Historic Districts and Property Values booklet
- k. Invitation from CT Trust for Historic Preservation to a "Breakfast with Donovan"
- 1. Letter from the CT Trust for Historic Preservation for renewal of membership.
- m. Letter from Forum (National Trust for Historic Preservation) for renewal of membership.

#### IV. Added Agenda items:

a. <u>Budget:</u> A motion was made by Scott Morgan to add the Budget to the agenda. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Scannell. Motion passed unanimously. Barbara Smigiel made a presentation to the Select Board. The commission requested \$500 as a baseline for operation and an additional \$1000 for projects. A motion was made by Scott Morgan to approve \$115 to continue the membership to Forum. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Scannell. Motion passed

unanimously. A motion was made by Scott Morgan to approve \$75 to continue the membership to the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kirk Montstream. Motion passed unanimously.

## V. Old Business:

- a. District 12 Schoolhouse: Mr. Alex Thimm of the Boy Scouts has completed a proposal for the District 12 Schoolhouse. His proposal includes cleaning and landscaping the grounds and creating a sign identifying the structure. He presented his project to the Board of Selectman and they have given him approval. Mr. Thimm is now awaiting approval of his project from the Boy Scout Council. Paul Scannell met with Mr. Thimm and reviewed his proposal and research. Paul Scannell also met with State Archeologist Nicholas Belantoni and Building Inspector Rand Stanley at the site of the school house. Mr. Belantoni has identified interest in the property and will be available for consultation. Paul Scannell also met with Kenneth Miller and Edmund Davis, both with historical ties to the schoolhouse and an interest in its preservation. Paul Scannell will also continue gathering historical data about the property. Barbara Smigiel will be meeting with Rand Stanley to review the specifications created for the schoolhouse and develop a plan for restoration. Paul Scannell is also interested in attending this meeting.
- b. Melrose Historic District: Fundraising needed to complete the sign.

# VI. <u>New Business</u>:

- a. <u>EW Cemeteries:</u> An article in the <u>Journal Inquirer</u>, December 29, 2012, titled "EW Approves \$9,100 For Study Of Storm-Damaged Cemetery" was reviewed. The commission highlighted a concern for maintaining historic awareness on these properties.
- b. Welcome Mr. Montstream: Mr. Kirk Montstream named as a regular member to the EWHPC, 4-year term to expire September 1, 2015.
- c. <u>CT Preservation Trust Workshop:</u> Barbara Smigiel attended a "Breakfast with Donovan" sponsored by the CT Trust for Historic Preservation. Mr. Donovan Rypkema spoke about the economic benefits of historic preservation. The presentation can be found online.

<u>Adjournment:</u> A motion was made by Scott Morgan to adjourn. The motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Scannell. Motion passed unanimously. <u>Adjourned</u> at 8:26 P.M.