

March 1 2011 Minutes of the Harvard Historic Commission

Members present: J. Feist (Chair), J. Martin (alternate), R. Minar, R. Saalfield, R. Sprague, J. Wollaston, K. Swanton

Members absent: C. Cutler, D. Coots

Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.

- amended minutes of the February 2011 meeting were unanimously accepted
- public hearing on the Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness by **George Hayes (owner of Two and Six Littleton Road)** was called to order at 7:45 p.m. Residents Mary Anne and Mark Morin spoke in favor of the work Hayes and his brother Jack have done, including the non-permitted installation of new windows throughout the two buildings. The clad windows installed are of the generic type known in the industry as 'grid between glazing', with the facsimile of muntins installed between the double glazed panels. The configuration of simulated lights follows the 4 or 6 or 8 over 1 configuration of the windows that have been replaced. J. Hayes explained his failure to come before the HHC before the work was done – and his failure to apply for a building permit – as due to his belief that no permit was required if a contractor was not hired to do the work. At the February 2011 meeting his brother George said they did not come before the work was done because they believed a hearing would add too much time to their work on this job. Members voted not to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness. Feist will write a letter to the members of the BOS asking that applicable fines for this infraction not be applied. A roll-call vote approved Feist's recommendation to continue a post vote conversation about this project and urged Mr. Hayes to consider how he would like to proceed.
- **Jennifer Candon (25 Oak Hill Road)** submitted digitally enhanced photos of her barn restoration project as an amendment to plans already approved. Commissioners accepted alternate options she proposed for the design of two side-by-side barn doors.
- Saalfield updated members on the configuration of the proposed working group of Cemetery Commissioners and Historic Commissioners who have agreed to come together to study the restoration of the markers in the **Shaker Burial Ground**. She proposes that the group be sufficiently small to not represent a quorum of either committee and therefore constitute a group that does not need to conform to open meeting bylaws. This will be discussed in greater detail at the April meeting when CC liaison Whit Sprague will be in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Saalfield