

Harvard Historical Commission

Special Meeting – Fireplace Meeting room in The Center on the Common (Old Library)
Minutes for Wednesday May 29, 2013 at 7 PM

"Oversee modifications to the Harvard Common and Shaker Village
Historic Districts in accordance with the state and local bylaws,
and generally support historic preservation in Harvard."

Members present: Ken Swanton, Joe Theriault, Pam Marston, John Martin
Members absent: Chris Cutler, Barbara Hadad

Potential member Ron Ostberg (architect position) was present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Town Hall Design

We discussed the design of the Town Hall, specifically the design of the windows in the original building and in the addition and the directionality and use of the original front door. Also discussed were paint colors and roof composition. Ken made a list of all of the items we are concerned with. We will use this as points of discussion when we have the public hearing next week, June 5th.

We also discussed the criteria we will use to look at the renovation. Joe prepared a document that outlined the various concerns we have regarding the historical significance and architectural value and how they relate to our task, as historians, to take what is there now and make changes that do not take away from the architectural characteristics of the surroundings and of the district.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be June 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Marston
Secretary