

Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes  
Londonderry, New Hampshire  
January 22, 2009

In attendance: Chairman Commissioner Arthur Rugg, Commissioners David Colglazier, Sue Joudrey, Debra Paul, Alternate Commissioner Lara McIntyre & Tom Bianchi, Councilor Paul DiMarco, and Town Planner Tim Thompson. From the Planning Board: Chairman Arthur Rugg (dual role), Mary Wing Soares, Laura El-Azem, Town Councilor Kathy Wagner, Charles Tilgner, Chris Davies, Cole Melendy, Cathy Dirsra and Town Planner Tim Thompson (Dual role).

Absent: Vice-Chairman Jim Schwalbe, Commissioner John Dahlfred and Alternate Pauline Caron. Planning Board: John Farrell, Robert Nichols, Lynne Wiles, Richard Brideau, Melissa Nemon, George Herrmann, Andre Garron, and John Trottier.

Chairman Rugg called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM in the Cafeteria of the Londonderry High School on Mammoth Road. The first part of the meeting was a Public Hearing for the proposed overlay ordinance.

Town Planner Thompson gave a brief overview of the Historic Performance Overlay District ordinance. He noted that 17 properties from the historic properties inventory list were eligible for the proposed ordinance because they were on major arterial roads. The ordinance would allow for light commercial uses on the properties if the owners applied for such use.

There were approximately 25 people at this hearing about the proposed ordinance. None of the 17 owners were present. The people who voiced their concerns were property owners from Mammoth Road and Crosby Lane.

The people who spoke about the issue were not in favor of the proposed regulation for the use of the lands involved. They were in favor of preservation of the land and the old houses listed in the inventory. They did not want to see light commercial activity move beyond the present limits. They felt that the present traffic along the effected roads was sufficient and they did not want more. Several of the speakers were there to address the issue of the development of Twin Gate Farms, one of the parcels affected by the proposed ordinance, and found this hearing a forum for their immediate concerns.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:55 PM. It was duly noted by Chairman Rugg that the public was not in favor of the ordinance.

Chairman Rugg called the regular meeting of the Heritage Commissioner to order at 8:58 in the same location.

Chairman Rugg welcomed new Alternates Lara McIntyre & Tom Bianchi. It was noted that Tom had not been sworn in yet by the Town Clerk, but was welcome to participate in the meeting. Chairman Rugg appointed Alternate Lara McIntyre to vote for Commissioner John Dahlfred.

Councilor DiMarco moved and Commissioner Joudrey seconded a motion to accept the meeting minutes of November 12, 2008. It passed 4-0-0 with Commissioner Paul out of the room at the time of the vote.

A Public Hearing was opened at 9:02 PM by the Chairman. This was for a Certificate of Approval for Crowell's Corner Properties, LLC, map 12, lot 68 at 2

Litchfield Road. Commissioner Paul did not participate in this proceeding. Planner Thompson explained the details of the project, which had been before the Commission previously. Councilor DiMarco moved and Commissioner Joudrey seconded a motion to grant approval. The motion carried 5-0-1 with Commissioner Paul abstaining. With this vote the hearing ended at 9:08 PM.

The Commission then processed the Design Review projects:

Reed Subdivision, map 9, lot 63, at 68 Pillsbury Road. Comment was to adhere to stonewall requirements and regulations.

Robichard & Jolicoeur subdivision, map 11, lot 25: No comment.

Motor Fuel Outlet, map 16, lots 72 & 74: Meet with the Heritage Commission.

DiFava Fire Protection, map 15, lot 62-3: Meet with Heritage Commission for signage.

A brief report was given about the progress of the HB246. Chairman Rugg and Commissioner Colglazier had testified at the Public Hearing in Concord.

Commissioners Paul moved and Joudrey seconded the motion to adjourn at 9:39. Motion approved 5-0-0.

David Lee Colglazier  
Secretary