October 17, 2011

Moultonborough Heritage Commission

Moultonborough Town Offices

Present: Cristina Ashjian, Jean Beadle, Ed Charest, Norman Larson, Bruce

Worthen, with Bruce Woodruff (Town Planner)

Excused: Mark Borrin Public: Hollis Austin

Chair Cristina Ashjian called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM, introducing Town Planner Bruce Woodruff to Heritage Commission members. The Minutes of September 19th were approved.

The Commission received updates on various activities and projects. Cristina reminded HC members that the deadline for RSA 79-D applications (barn easements) is April 15th. She and Jean Beadle attended the NHPA barn workshop in New Hampton on October 1st; and she and Norman Larson attended the NHPA Seven to Save/Annual Meeting at UNH on October 12th. Historic properties for sale and area preservation issues were briefly discussed, and handouts on the status of the Laconia State School property were provided to HC members for review.

The progress of the Planning Board Roads Subcommittee was noted, with the next meeting set for October 18th. The Commission then reviewed and discussed ongoing projects. Cristina attended a preliminary curriculum meeting at PSU for the DHR/PSU archaeology field school proposed for the Roxmont site in 2012, noting that it will be a 2 week, 2 credit college level course in early June. Cristina will keep the HC informed as more information becomes available; the course will be designed to accommodate community volunteer participation.

The Commission discussed the status of the town application/policy for RSA 79-E (village revitalization) and the draft Demolition Review Ordinance. It was agreed that the HC would address the RSA 79-E matter early in 2012, as the annual application deadline is in April. Cristina will work with Planner Bruce Woodruff to complete revisions to the 2009 draft Demolition Review Ordinance in time for review by the Planning Board for the 2012 warrant cycle; an updated draft should be available for HC review at the November meeting.

The next HC meeting will be at 5:30 PM on Monday, November 21st.

Motion: Bruce moved to adjourn at 7:00 PM

Jean Seconded.

Motion Carried – Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Beadle, Secretary, Heritage Commission