March 15, 2010

Moultonborough Heritage Commission

Moultonborough Town Offices

Present: Cristina Ashjian, Jean Beadle, Mark Borrin, Ed Charest, Norman Larson

Excused: Bruce Worthen, Doug Wyman Public: Hollis Austin, Jane Fairchild

Chair Cristina Ashjian called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. The first order of business was annual organization following Town Meeting. Cristina was unanimously re-elected as Chair and Jean Beadle as Secretary. Cristina noted that Doug Wyman will not seek reappointment as Alternate due to time constraints with his new position as Chief of Police in Sandwich. Mark Borrin stated that he is willing to serve as Alternate for a second term. Cristina will send a memo to the Board of Selectmen with these developments. Following this discussion, the Minutes of the February 22, 2010 meeting were approved.

The Commission then addressed a number of 2010 projects, including Master Plan implementation activities. Norman initiated a discussion regarding materials available and the process of the historical resources inventory. Historic buildings for sale or presently vacant in the village were noted and discussed. There will be an update on the preservation easements RSA 79-D (Barn Easement) and RSA 79-E (Village Revitalization) at the April meeting. If possible, the Commission will start the process of a town-wide barn survey this summer, to coincide with the July event on barns. It was agreed that the Commission will also explore the establishment of a locally designated historic district; Cristina will meet first with staff of the Division of Historical Resources and then encourage the participation of area residents.

Planning for the summer Community Landmarks tour is underway with the NH Preservation Alliance. The tour date is set for Sunday, August 8, 2010, the day after the Moultonborough Historical Society's Old Home Day. Before adjournment, Cristina reminded the Commission of several upcoming events and public education opportunities. All members were urged to save the dates for Community Landmarks / Moultonborough Library lectures scheduled for June 24 (Maheux, Red Hill Fire Tower) and July 7 (Hubka, Big House, Little House, Back House, Barn). The next HC meeting will be at 5:30 PM on April 19th, 2010.

Motion: Ed moved to adjourn at 6:30 PM.

Jean seconded.

Motion Carried – Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Beadle, Secretary, Heritage Commission