January 18, 2010

Moultonborough Heritage Commission

Moultonborough Town Offices

Present: Cristina Ashjian, Jean Beadle, Ed Charest, Norman Larson, Doug Wyman

Excused: Mark Borrin, Bruce Worthen

Chair Cristina Ashjian called the meeting to order at 5:50 PM (delay due to late arrival of Ed Charest with key). The Minutes of the December 21, 2009 meeting were approved, and Cristina distributed final copies of the Heritage Commission Rules of Procedure adopted at the December meeting. Ed confirmed that he had distributed copies to the Board of Selectmen.

The Commission then briefly discussed proposed activities for 2010, including action items identified for the Commission by the Master Plan Update 2008. At the February meeting the Commission will further discuss the two existing preservation easements already adopted by the town, RSA 79-D (Barn Easement) and RSA 79-E (Village Revitalization). Planning for the Community Landmarks tour is underway and Cristina and Jean will meet with the NH Preservation Alliance staff before the next HC meeting and provide an update in February.

Ed reported on the first hearing for the Planning Board's proposed ordinance changes, opening up a general discussion of town projects and planning initiatives. Cristina noted that the BoS Minutes indicate that there is now a required historical and architectural review for the Route 25 and Fox Hollow Road intersection project. The Commission discussed the other six intersections along the Route 25 corridor and potential impacts to historical resources and sites in relation to road projects. It was agreed that Cristina would finalize a letter to the DOT requesting consulting party status to insure HC comment for all of the Route 25 intersection projects.

Before Ed departed for another meeting at 7:00 PM, Cristina distributed the schedule for the NH Farm & Forest Expo to be held on February 5-6th in Manchester. There is a Barn Repair 101 session on February 5th from 1-2 PM that may be of interest to Commission members. The next HC meeting will be at 5:30 PM on February 15th, 2010.

Motion: Norman moved to adjourn at 7:30 PM.

Doug seconded.

Motion Carried – Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Beadle, Secretary, Heritage Commission