

February 22, 2010

Moultonborough Heritage Commission

Moultonborough Town Offices

Present: Cristina Ashjian, Jean Beadle, Ed Charest, Norman Larson, Doug Wyman, Bruce Worthen
Excused: Mark Borrin
Public: Bob Wallace

Chair Cristina Ashjian called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. The Minutes of the January 18, 2010 meeting were approved. Cristina distributed a template to be utilized by the Heritage Commission to serve as a guide for comments on Planning Board site plan applications.

The Commission then discussed the Town of Moultonborough's proposal for the development of recreational facilities on the former Lions Club property at 139 Old Route 109 (tax map 44, lot 16). Abutter Bob Wallace was in attendance to voice his concerns regarding the impacts of the proposed three-phase development on his adjacent historic residence. Focusing on the impacts of the proposal on the historic agricultural property as well as on the rural character of the area, the Commission prepared a comment to be submitted to the Planning Board prior to the scheduled public hearing on the proposal to be held on February 24, 2010.

Cristina reported that 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) at the April meeting, after working with the town planner on both following Town Meeting season. Planning for the summer Community Landmarks tour is underway and the tour date is set for Sunday, August 8, 2010; Cristina and Jean met with the NH Preservation Alliance staff on February 3rd and will provide ongoing updates at each HC meeting.

Letters have been sent out to historic preservation programs at Plymouth State University and the University of Vermont hoping to secure an intern to assist the HC with a Moultonborough barn survey project. It was noted that the NH DOT has granted the Heritage Commission Section 106 consulting party status for the Fox Hollow Road / Route 25 improvement project, which allows for involvement in the process of project development and the opportunity to provide input.

Before adjournment, Cristina distributed the schedule for the Standards for Historic Preservation workshop on March 5th in Concord; HC members able to attend should contact Dan Merhalski for registration ASAP. There is an Old House and Barn Expo in Manchester on March 20-21 with multiple barn sessions of interest to the HC; a final count of members able to attend TBD at the March meeting. The next HC meeting will be at 5:30 PM on March 15th, 2010.

Motion: Ed moved to adjourn at 6:30 PM.
Doug seconded.
Motion Carried – Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Beadle, Secretary, Heritage Commission