

Roxbury Historic District Commission

20 May 2009

Present: J. Huber, G. Miller, D. Sergeant, R. Stevenson, W. Walker, P. Wooster

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm.

The minutes of the 15 April meeting were accepted as submitted.

Planning Commission: There is a meeting on Thursday 28 May at 7 pm re: POCD. W. Walker encouraged all HDC members to attend.

Roxbury Market: R. Berman has not responded to a recent e-mail asking about the timetable for the fence on the north side to hide the equipment. W. Walker will write a letter.

Senior Center: The event will be a walk of the historic district with gardens on 25 July Saturday from 10 to 3. A letter has been sent to residents and a follow up phone call will ask if the owner(s) would be willing to talk about their house during the tour. R. Stevenson volunteered to represent 3 South Street and 1 Church Street that day. The friends of the Senior Center will split the gate with the HDC. Groups will be escorted around the HD by volunteers: no one will be let wandering. The committee would like to sell the book about the HD but there are no more left. The HDC unanimously voted to reprint 200 copies of the book at \$2800 (to sell at \$20) with the approval of B. Henry. The HDC has money in its 2009-10 capital budget that will not all be spent on the survey since R. Carley's bid was economical. J. Huber said it would take 4-6 weeks to print, but if Barbara approves the expenditure, he will put the order in under his company. G. Miller will discuss with B. Henry.

Annual Report: G. Miller distributed copies with the dedication to the HDC.

Preservation award: Last meeting, L. Turner nominated the barns that are being restored at Squire Road and South Street. D. Sergeant made a motion to accept the nomination; R. Stevenson seconded. The HDC unanimously agreed to give the award to the owners, especially since the HDC is working on the barn survey. The plaque will refer to the property as Horace Squire barns. G. Miller will get the correct names of the owner(s).

Barn Survey: R. Carley has begun her work. G. Miller took her on a quick tour of the barns on our list. Since no member of the HDC can participate financially in this grant, the HDC will ask D. Cloutier to take whatever photos R. Carley may need.

Hot dog stand: W. Walker fielded a phone call about the prospective trailer that will be used on a property on Baker Road. Unfortunately, the area is outside HDC jurisdiction. Comments should be addressed to the Planning and Zoning Commissions.

Roxbury Station: An individual previously interested in the property has resurfaced and is still interested. W. Walker had met with him and in other developments that he has done, he has been very conscious of the preservation aspects.

National register: Cate is still working on the four applications (down from 5) and they will be reviewed in Hartford in October.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Georgette Miller
Clerk