Canaan Historic District (HDC) Meeting Minutes  
February 19, 2007  
Senior Center, Canaan, NH

Approved Minutes

Members Present: John Bergeron (JB), Jonathan Garthwaite (JG), Jay Waldner (JW) ex officio

Alternate Members Present: Dan Fleetham

Members of the Public in Attendance: Marty Davis, representing W & F Rich

7:05 Meeting called to order.

7:06 Dan Fleetham appointed by chair to vote in place of Rainie Kelly

7:08 Minutes of 1-15-2007 HDC Meeting read  
Motion to approve: JW / 2nd JG  
Motion Passed

7:12 Pending Resignations  
Wendy Needham and Mary Noordsy have indicated that they will be resigning from the HDC. One regular member seat and one alternate seat will be open upon acceptance of these resignations.

7:15 Public Hearing: K & J Burnett, 551 Canaan St.  
No applicants or abutters present  
A sign has been erected in front of the house that includes a logo. The owners have requested permission to use this logo.  
Motion to approve in accordance with HDC Rules Section 7-C: JW / 2nd DF  
Motion Passed

Abutters present: Joanne Whalen & Denise Cypher (Consultant) participated via telephone  
Applicant seeks approval for the following changes:  
1) Add two windows to North Elevation  
2) Decrease quantity of screen/storm panels on south wall of porch from six to five.  
3) Adjust roof pitch over kitchen area as detailed in application.  
4) Potential addition of mullions to screen/storm panels referenced in Item #2  
Motion to approve: JG / 2nd JW  
Motion Passed

7:45 Other Business  
JW: Discussed proposals before Canaan Selectboard related to Discretionary Preservation Easements. These easements are intended to allow for adjustment of property taxes in order to allow property owners to preserve and maintain historic agricultural buildings.
JW: Should the HDC be involved in the decision process and/or administration of this type of program?
JB: To do so would require that the HDC become a body similar to the Heritage Commissions in other local towns.
JG: Suggests that this program should be administered by the Selectboard as it involves easements that affect cost and income to the town.

8:15 Motion to Adjourn JB / 2nd JG
Motion Passed
Meeting Adjourned