Canaan Historic District Commission (HDC) Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2009
Mascoma Senior Center, Canaan, NH

Members present: John Bergeron (JB), Scott Bothwick, Michael Roy (MR), Dan Fleetham (DF), Andrew Mulligan (AM)
Alternate Members present: Skip Baldwin (CB), Brooke D’Entremont (BD)

Members of the public present: None

7:05 PM - Meeting called to order

7:07 PM - The August 17, 2009, minutes were reviewed and approved with a motion from SB and second by DF.

7:10 PM – A discussion on “future projects executed with deviations from the approved plan” was resolved with the adoption of language to be included in all future HDC Approval Letters issued.

“Approval by the Historic District Commission is hereby granted with the provision that the applicant will follow the specific approved design, building constraints and other architectural attributes as they apply to the applicant’s request.

If the applicant feels that change is necessary i.e. additional windows, color, dimensions, location, boundaries, etc, and not limited to these mentioned. The applicant must come again before the Historic District Commission for approval.

If the Historic District Commission’s approval is not complied with at any time, the applicant will be subject to the full enforcement of the Municipal Laws and Regulations of the State of New Hampshire.”

7:40 PM A discussion ensued regarding the recent demolition of a garage on Jeff Majewski’s property. It was noted by JB that demolition approval was not sought by Jeff Majewski for the razing of his garage. It was also noted that the garage was in terrible condition and the demolition was an enhancement to property and safety conditions. Nevertheless, MR was asked to speak to Jeff Majewski to review the HDC regulation and secure agreement that this action will not be repeated.

7:50 The HDC continued its exterior color approval process and concluded with a motion by SB and seconded by DF that the HDC defines exterior colors as those illustrated on the 2006 Historic Colors of America Chart. These exterior approved colors are only approved for wood surfaces. Any synthetic material, except white, will require HDC approval complete with a painted sample.

8:30 PM – JB advised the HDC that the bidding process for a new column on the Museum front porch was in its final stages. Bids would be entertained for wood and fiber-glass and results presented at the next meeting.

8:33 PM – JB announced that Thomas Hudgens had tendered his resignation from the HDC because of personal reasons and that the HDC would now be seeking an alternate as replacement.
8:35 PM - SB made a motion to adjourn with a second by AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael F. Roy
Secretary