HISTORIC DISTRICT & HISTORIC PROPERTY COMMISSION

Jonathan Foltz, Chair
Kevin Quinlan, Vice Chair
Colleen Fawcett, Clerk
Matthew Kehoe
Allison Sanders
Helen Whitten
Alternates
Peter Gaboriault
Al Stauderman



TOWN HALL 238 Danbury Road Wilton, Connecticut 06897

Tuesday April 8, 2014 Meeting Minutes Old Town Hall 7:30PM

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Foltz at 7:55 PM
Attending: Allison Sanders, Helen Whitten, Al Stauderman and Jonathan Foltz
Mr. Stauderman, an alternate, assumed the role of a regular member, creating a quorum of four members. In the absence of the secretary, Ms. Fawcett, Mr Stauderman agreed to take notes of the proceedings.

II. Ongoing business

- a. Demolition requests: The demolition of property at 308 was unanimously approved. (Note: there are two main buildings on this property, the Commission agreed to the demolition of the house, judged to have been constructed around 1975; the barn dates from about 1880 and was considered to be of some historic value.) The barn was not approved for demolition.
- b. Cemetery preservation: Ms. Whitten had prepared for the meeting by doing further research on the cemetery preservation project outlined by Mr. Stauderman at the previous meeting. She observed that the 12 cemeteries under consideration are in various states of care; some may be neglected but some others are actively tended. She also observed that the committee should have a name that reflects its purpose and responsibilities. Following discussion, Ms. Sanders and Ms. Whitten jointly suggested that the name of "Friends of Wilton's Historic Cemeteries" be considered. There was no dissent.
- Mr. Stauderman said that he was working on assembling a committee of seven members including himself and Mr. Kehoe. In response to a question from Ms. Whitten as to whether he would undertake the chairmanship of this committee, Stauderman answered in the affirmative, provided this was approved by the other members.
- c. Preservation and re-use of historic building materials Discussion reflected general approval of the practice of identifying and making available for sale items of architectural or historic

interest from buildings slated for demolition (e.g. mantelpieces, lighting fixtures) should be retained for future use rather than scrapped. It was agreed that the process of doing this should be determined when a larger number of committee members were present to provide input.

III. New Business: There were no other items to consider. Accordingly, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Al Stauderman

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30 PM at Old Town Hall.