# Canaan Historic District (HDC) Meeting Minutes September 17, 2007 Senior Center, Canaan, NH

## **Approved Minutes**

**Members Present**: John Bergeron (JB), Rainie Kelly (RK), Dan Fleetham (DF) Jay Waldner (JW) ex officio **Absent:** Jonathan Garthwaite (GW)

Alternate Member Present: Andrew Mulligan (AM) Absent: Matt Dow (MD), Skip Baldwin (SB)

# 7:00- Meeting called to order.

### 7:02 Minutes of meeting of 7/16/07 read.

Motion to accept with suggested clarifications: JW, 2<sup>nd</sup> DF Motion Passed (JB reminded to make appropriate changes to the signature page of the Rules of Procedure document and email those changes to current members of the HDC)

Andrew Mulligan appointed by chairman to vote in place of JG

#### 7:05 Other Business

JB read letter from Charlotte Abington thanking HDC for listening to her concerns at the July meeting. She enclosed a donation for the Meetinghouse Renovation Fund which JB will forward to Jim Miller.

RK shared information about the placement of historic sign markers on homes in the Town of Plainfield, NH. Their Historical Society encourages homeowners to purchase signs for \$75. The Historical Society supplies the signs made by Ould Colony Artisans of Farmington, ME, and checks for accuracy before signs are placed on homes. RK will try to obtain a sample sign (or a photograph) before the next meeting and will try to obtain more information about Plainfield's experience in this endeavor. JB suggested that it might be more appropriate to encourage Canaan's Historical Society to undertake this effort here if the HDC is in favor of moving forward with a project like this.

AM shared a copy of the PRESERVATION PLANNING HANDBOOK published by the NH Preservation Alliance. The booklet contains useful information for Historic District Commissions in their efforts to preserve community character. RK will contact the alliance for information on the availability of the publication and to find out if they can share information about other towns which encourage the placement of historic signs on homes. (www.nhpreservation.org)

**7:40** Motion to adjourn: RK, 2<sup>nd</sup> : JW Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted, Rainie Kelly, Secretary

Next regular meeting: October 15, 2007, Senior Center