

Historic District Commission
Sherman, Connecticut



October 15, 2012

The **Historic District Commission Meeting** was called to order 8 PM on October 15, 2012.

Present: Janet Hopkins, Chairman, James French, Liz Mard, Alice Schneckenburger,
Betsy Scholze, Robin Szendy, Helen Bray, Clerk

Guest: John Jenner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In the minutes dated July 23, 2012 Janet corrected the spelling of Bruzinski's name changing the Y to I.

Jim made a motion to approve the minutes, as corrected, of the Special Meeting dated July 23, 2013, seconded by Betsy and so moved.

Jim made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting dated September 10, 2012, seconded by Betsy and so moved.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

John Jenner, Sherman Historical Society, attended the meeting to present an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for electrical work to be done at the Historical Society property at 10 Route 37 Center. Liz and Robin recused themselves for this application.

John presented a sketch of the project showing exactly where the underground lines would run. They will be mounted to a new meter which will be located on the north side of the driveway by the cellar entrance. The approaches to the bridge are done and the Sherman Historical Society now has a grant to work on the cobbler shop including running the power from the barn.

The lines will run from the meter box to the barn to the cobbler shop. Certain requirements must be met for CL&P. The existing stone wall and plantings will help to obscure the box. The size of the box will be 5" deep x 17" wide x 35" high. The existing pole near the road will remain. The meter on the box must be 5' 6" from the ground level so it will protrude somewhat above the stone wall. Plantings will be used to cover the meter since it is read with an electronic signal.

Jim suggested the HDC Regulations be sent to CL&P explaining that everything in this district is governed by these regulations.

Jim made a motion to accept the application for upgrading the electrical wiring to the Sherman Historical Society, at 10 Route 37 Center. Seconded by Betsy and so moved.

Jim made a motion to issue a C of A to the Sherman Historical Society for electrical work as described on the application. Seconded by Betsy and so moved.

Janet will send a letter to CL&P with a copy of the regulations. Janet will also mail a letter of approval to John Jenner tomorrow. She requested before and after photos of the site from John and would like final plans to attach to the C of A.

TREE

Janet discussed with Ron Cooper a tree in the center that he has been told is dead. It is located between the Old Town Hall and the neighboring property. Janet would like the tree warden to look at it and determine if it is dead.

LIBRARY

The library board sent plans out to bid. The plans sent out were not the plans the HDC approved, so they will be automatically set up with change orders which come at a cost.

One of the HDC conditions was to move the transformer box up close to the stone wall. CL&P claims they cannot move it. P & Z backs up the HDC on their C of A. Ron Cooper will try to get a meeting together with Enfield Construction, Janet and himself to discuss this transformer location.

PLAYHOUSE WINDOWS & TOWN HALL PARKING SPACE

The parking space has not been resolved and the playhouse windows have not been finished. Janet is still considering going before P & Z with these issues.

MAINTENANCE

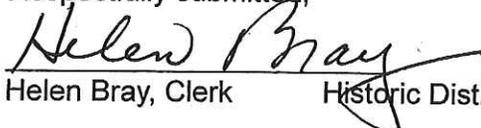
Janet asked Robin to take a look at the buildings in the district to see if anything needs attention or maintenance. With this information for the December meeting a report can be written. Robin mentioned that there is still a tree scratching the roof of the scout house.

There being no further business Jim made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Betsy and so moved.

Meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING IS ON DECEMBER 10, 2012

Respectfully submitted,


Helen Bray, Clerk Historic District Commission