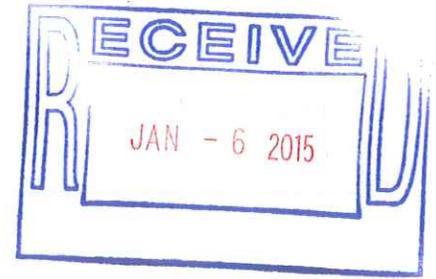


Historic District Commission
Sherman, Connecticut



December 15, 2014

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes December 15, 2014

The **Historic District Commission Meeting** was called to order at 8:02 PM on December 15, 2014.

Present: Janet Hopkins, Chairman, James French, Robert Boone, Marilyn Dwyer, Cynthia Osborne, Alice Schneckenburger, Betsy Scholze, Helen Bray, Clerk

Guest: Clay Cope

PAVING PLAYHOUSE PARKING AREA

Clay attended the meeting to get an opinion and input about paving the muddy parking lot in back of the playhouse. He will present a Certificate of Appropriateness after this has been discussed, probably at the February HDC meeting. The reason for Clay's concern is that the mud is and will continue to be tracked into the new bathrooms that are now under construction. This mud is also being tracked into the firehouse.

Janet pointed out that this is not a HDC issue, but a Planning & Zoning issue. The amount of paved surface on a lot, particularly on a municipal lot may have been exceeded and this should be run by Ron before HDC. Clay will talk to Ron and Trish and would like to get on the HDC agenda for February.

Janet is also concerned with the budget regarding the steeple on the playhouse and the cupola on town hall. Clay said that it would be in capitol non-recurring and Janet disagreed saying that it belonged in maintenance and should not have to go through a town meeting. Janet's argument was that this issue came up several years ago as a simple maintenance job but never got done and now it could cost up to \$8,000 and may never get done.

There was discussion about Park & Rec sharing the cost on the scout house and this is why Janet had requested a budget workshop prior to the budget meetings. Clay said that he would discuss these issues at the January Board of Selectmen meeting.

Jim did not think HDC should be sharing expenses with Park & Rec and Janet suggested coming prepared at the February HDC meeting.

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Janet mentioned pending maintenance jobs such as the gutters on the scout house, steeple on the playhouse, town hall and Old Town Hall. Janet objected to spending money paving the parking area while buildings are falling apart.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jim pointed out the cost of the gutters for the scout house for \$7800 must be a mistake and should be corrected but no one knew the actual cost. Janet will check this number with Frank Spaziani or Fran Fratini

Jim made a motion to approve the minutes pending a correction of the amount for the scout house gutters, seconded by Betsy and so moved.

MEETING SCHEDULE

A list of the HDC meetings for 2015 was approved and the commissioners received a copy.

There being no further business Jim made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Betsy and so moved. The meeting adjourned at 9: 20 PM.

THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING IS ON FEBRUARY 9, 2015

JANET REMINDED EVERYONE TO COME PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE BUDGET.

Respectfully submitted,


Helen Bray, Clerk
Historic District Commissioner