

Wakefield Heritage Commission
May 16, 2005

Present: Elizabeth MacRury, Chairperson, Nancy Spencer Smith, Connie Twombly, Peter Brown and Nancy Bancroft.

Call to Order: Beth called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Nursery School Reunion: The reunion was very successful. Approximately 70 people attended. Beth suggested that the remaining buttons be sold on Pride Day.

Heritage Centre: Attempts to contact Carol Barleon have been unsuccessful. Connie Twombly stated that the Lovell Union Grange is going to close. The members are going to meet with the State on June 2, 2005. The Grange will be selling the building. The Commission talked about the possibility of moving the building. There is not much property where the building is now located. This is something for the Commission to consider as it is a historic building.

Pride Day: Pam Judge has organized the Pancake Breakfast and they are all set. The Commission will have a table in front of the Town Hall.

Peg Richards donated a pieced throw and the Commission will sell raffle tickets on Pride Day and at the Craft Fair. They will draw the winner on July 30, 2005 at 3:00 PM at the Craft Fair. Tickets will be \$1.00 each and 6 for \$5.00.

Spinney Meeting House: Additional pictures are needed for the Historic Register. Nancy Bancroft will take pictures inside and out for the application.

Other: Nancy Spencer Smith reminded the Commission that there will be a balloon test for a telecommunication tower on Lot #6 just past Palmer's Motel. Nancy suggested that the Commission issue a statement regarding the Heritage Commission's opposition to the tower being visible from the Historic District. Peter suggested a letter to the Planning Board.

Peter Brown made a motion for the Heritage Commission to write a letter to the Planning Board stating that the Heritage Commission is opposed to having a telecommunication tower that is visible from the Historic District and to encourage the company to explore other locations such as other tall buildings. The motion was seconded by Nancy Spencer Smith. Connie Twombly and Nancy Bancroft voted in opposition to the motion and Nancy Spencer Smith and Peter Brown voted in favor of the motion. Beth MacRury abstained and the motion was defeated.

Nancy Bancroft and Connie Twombly are not in support of writing a letter. Nancy Spencer Smith suggested that the cell communication tower be placed in the church steeple.

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Approval of Minutes (5/2/05): Nancy Spencer Smith made a motion to approve the minutes of May 2, 2005 as presented, seconded by Nancy Bancroft. The motion passed with Connie Twombly and Peter Brown abstaining.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Wakefield Heritage Commission will be on June 6th.

Adjournment: Peter Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Nancy Spencer Smith. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne N. Dolbear
Secretary