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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING May 27, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

Elizabeth Woollacott, Chairman, called the Historic District Commission to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium at Eno Memorial Hall. The following members were also present: Evan Woollacott, Marc Lubetkin, and Paul Lanza. Also in attendance were Lynn Charest, Zoning Enforcement Officer and other interested parties.

II. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

No alternates were needed.

III. PRESENTATION OF THE HISTORIC RESOURCES ARCHITECTURAL INVENTORY BY LUCAS KARMAZINAS

Mr. Karmazinas stated that there are many benefits to having a survey. Having information about a structure can help reduce tear-downs and can facilitate economic development. He stated that surveys also help search out structures that may be eligible for the National Register.

Regarding components, Mr. Karmazinas stated that there is an overview document, which is a narrative of the area and the structures themselves. The other component is the inventory forms; one form is completed for every structure or resource. The inventory form includes: architectural information and background information. He stated that most of this information is available from public Town records.

Mr. Karmazinas stated that this survey has approximately 150 structures. There are two major sections of the survey, which include: along Hopmeadow Street, from West Street to Hazel Meadow; and West Street, west to Davey Street.

Mr. Karmazinas stated that the main criteria to evaluate any historic structure is to use the National Register standards. This gives a good standard for everyone to use.

Mr. Karmazinas gave an overview of his historical findings are the study area.

Mr. Karmazinas stated that due to the nature of this study area and the resources in this area, it is fully eligible as a National Registered District. All of the structures share the same history; they are from the same period; and many of them maintain the majority of their original historic integrity and character.

Several residents asked Mr. Karmazinas questions regarding the inventory.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.