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HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION MINUTES September 11, 2014

Present: Linda Hawes, Chair; Bill Andreas; and Lee Swanson; and Frank Riepe.

Absent: Frederick E. Taylor, Vice Chair

HDC Chair Linda Hawes called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m. Discussion about proposed modification to HDC Case 13-19, 71 Concord Road, Applicants Rick and Maggie Watson, to determine paint color for a previously approved fence.

Rick and Maggie Watson, owners of 71 Concord Road, presented three paint samples for a previously approved cedar fence through case 13-19. At the time of approval the HDC had voted a natural wood color. Essex Green was proposed for the new color. Lee Swanson suggested that the fence be primed, wait six months and then paint in order to get the true color. The committee is aware that stain colors can be different than what is shown in a sample. Committee members warned about a film build up and color change. A motion to amend the certificate for case 13-19 to include the Essex Green paint color as submitted as a sample, or a closest possible shade, was unanimously approved.

Other Business:

Members of the Historical District Commission expressed concerns regarding the proposed plans for Buddy Dog's new facility that is to be located next to the Wayside Inn. The Board noted that as of 1988 the Wayside Inn Property was included in an Historic District. The property Buddy Dog purchased is not within the district. The HDC understands that anything that goes on outside the property is not in their purview. It was determined that individual HDC members can attend future Selectman meetings as Sudbury citizens, but they cannot not representing the views of the HDC as a whole. Members expressed a willingness to find enabling legislation that created the district. They also expressed a desire that the Sudbury Engineering Department double-check the boundaries of the district. Someone wondered whether the Howe Foundation is in existence. The Howe Foundation is still around but the Foundation has no jurisdiction over this matter. Members of the Howe Foundation can, as concerned citizens, attend Selectmens meetings and voice their opinion.

Approval of Minutes from the August 7, 2014 Meeting was tabled.

Discussion about the HDC's General Guidelines and Landscaping Guidelines was also tabled.

Next was an announcement that a September 19, 2014 meeting would be held by the Sudbury Historical Society where architects Spencer and Vogt will present findings of a feasibility study conducted for the Loring Parsonage, 288 Old Sudbury Road, and the proposed History Center. Mr. Swanson and Mr. Riepe recused themselves from the discussion. HDC members were encouraged to go to the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.