

**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE**

**Historic Preservation Council  
September 7, 2011  
One Constitution Plaza 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

- Present:** Chairman Beeble, Dr. Bellantoni, Vice Chair Churchill, Mrs. Green, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Kelley, Dr. Robbins, and Mr. Wills
- Staff:** David Bahlman, Julie Carmelich, Susan Chandler, Mary Donohue, Mary Dunne, Daniel Forrest, and Laura Mancuso
- Absent:** Ms. Costello, Dr. Woodward

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Beeble at 9:37 a.m.

**II. REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURES**

Copies of the public comment procedures were available to the public at the door.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mrs. Green, second by Mr. Wills, to approve the minutes of August 3, 2011. (Y-7, N-0)

**IV. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Chairman Beeble**

No report at this time.

**V. ACTION ITEM**

**B. SURVEY AND PLANNING GRANT – Mary Donohue**

- 1. A motion by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Dr. Bellantoni: the Historic Preservation Council votes to recommend the grant awards listed below. Funded by the Community Investment Act administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development.**

**All state and federal requirements shall be met by the applicants upon receipt of a grant. (Y-7, N-0)**

<b>Town of South Windsor, Historic District Commission Historic Resources Survey, Phase 3</b>	<b>\$9, 250.</b>
<b>Hartford Public Library and <i>Connecticut Explored</i> African American History Book Connecticut Freedom Trail</b>	<b>\$11,150.</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$20,400.</b>

Elizabeth Normen, Publisher *Connecticut Explored*, described the methodology and goals of the proposed publication. Cora Murray reported that Katherine Harris, Central Connecticut State University and Stacey Close, Eastern Connecticut State University, will be involved in the scholarship. The grant will support new contextual research, the results of which will be included on the Freedom Trail website in addition to the manuscript. Dr. Bellantoni expressed appreciation to Wesleyan Press for accepting this project and their commitment to the promotion of Connecticut history.

**C. LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY REPORTS - Mary Dunne**

- 1. A motion by Ms. Kelley, seconded by Mr. Wills: the Historic Preservation Council votes to recommend the approval of the study report submitted by the Town of Farmington Historic District Commission for the proposed expansion of the Farmington Historic District (Y-7, N-0)**

**D. HISTORIC PRESERVATION ENHANCEMENT – Mary Dunne**

- 1. A motion by Mrs. Green, seconded by Dr. Bellantoni: the Historic Preservation Council votes to recommend the grant award listed below. The grant is funded by the Historic Preservation Fund of the National Park Service and administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development. All state and federal requirements shall be met by the applicant upon receipt of a grant. (Y-7, N-0)**

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<b>Town of Waterford</b>	<b>Conditions Assessment Nevins Tenant Cottage 57 Rope Ferry Road</b>	<b>\$2800.</b>
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Dr. Robbins arrived at the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Dr. Robbins left the room at 9:53 a.m. in order to avoid the potential of a conflict of interest. He has been involved in the development of the activity which is the subject of the proposed grant.

2. **A motion by Dr. Bellantoni, seconded by Mrs. Green: the Historic Preservation Council votes to recommend the grant award listed below. The grant is funded by the Historic Preservation Fund of the National Park Service and administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development. All state and federal requirements shall be met by the applicant upon receipt of a grant. (Y-7, N-0, Recused -1)**

<b>City of Danbury</b>	<b>Data collection to support predictive model for prehistoric site locations</b>	<b>\$2800.</b>
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Dr. Robbins returned to the room at 9:57 a.m.

**VI. REPORT OF THE DIVISION DIRECTOR – David Bahlman**

Division Director David Bahlman discussed the following items:

- A. SHPO Issues: Mr. Bahlman provided an update on appointments to the Council. He reported that the Arts Division is now included in the SHPO administrative division under his leadership.
- B. Museum Issues: Hurricane Irene did not cause any serious damage to our four historic properties. The status of proposed work projects to the sites continues to be positive.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS –  
None.**

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**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

Assistant Attorney General Alan Ponanski provided an overview of recent Connecticut Environmental Protection Act litigation, and the national and state significance of those favorable outcomes.

**IX. MOTION TO ADJOURN** – a motion to adjourn was made, and moved. All were in favor.

***Next Council Meeting***

The next Historic Preservation Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., One Constitution Plaza, Main Conference Room.

***Tabled Items***

None at this time.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Susan R. Chandler, Historical Architect and  
SHPO Staff Liaison to the Council