

CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON CULTURE AND TOURISM

Historic Preservation Council October 1, 2008 - 9:30 a.m. One Financial Plaza, 2nd Floor Hartford, Connecticut

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Beeble, Dr. Bellantoni, Dr. Buel, Mrs. Costello, Mrs. Green, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Kelley, Mr. Schreck, Mr. Wills, and Dr. Woodward

Absent: Dr. Robbins

Staff & Guests: Karen Senich, David Bahlman, Susan Chandler, Mary Donohue, Mary Dunne, Sandy Hayes, Karin Peterson, Linda Spencer, Stacey Vairo

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Beeble at 9:47 a.m. Matthew Schreck, new Council member and David Bahlman, History Division Director, were introduced.

The Council, at the request of the Chairman, unanimously voted to suspend the regular order of business in order to allow Ms. Senich to give her report before leaving.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Kelley, second by Mrs. Costello, to approve the minutes of August 6, 2008 as circulated. (Y-10, N-0)

III. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

None at this time.

IV. NOMINATIONS TO THE STATE REGISTER – Stacey Vairo Reporting

Shell Island Tower, Greenwich

A motion was made by Dr. Buel, second by Mrs. Green, the Historic Preservation Council approved to list Shell Island Tower, Greenwich, Connecticut, on the State Register of Historic Places. (Y-10, N-0)

Coe Brass Mill Pond and Gate House

Ms. Vairo reported that she had received an e-mail from Daniel Lester, President, Heritage Land Preservation Trust, in favor of the nomination.

A motion was made by Mrs. Green, second by Mr. Hughes, the Historic Preservation Council approved to list Coe Brass Mill Pond and Gate House, Torrington, Connecticut, on the State Register of Historic Places. (Y-9, N-0, A-1, Dr. Woodward)

Highwood Manufacturing District – 943 and 953-965 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden

Ms. Vairo formerly noted that the name of the property has been changed by the applicant from Dixwell Avenue Manufacturing District to Highwood Manufacturing District.

A motion was made by Ms. Kelley, second by Mrs. Costello, the Historic Preservation Council approved to list Highwood Manufacturing District, 943 and 953-965 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut, on the State Register of Historic Places. (Y-10, N-0)

V. **REPORT OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICTS/PROPERTIES- Mary Dunn Reporting**

Wilton Historic District Study

On a motion made by Dr. Buel, second by Mrs. Green, the Historic Preservation Council approved the study report submitted by the Wilton Historic District and Historic Property Commission Study Committee for the proposed Cannondale Historic District Number 8 in Wilton, Connecticut. (Y-10, N-0)

VI. **PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS**

A. *Department of the Interior Grants*
None at this time.

B. *State Historic Preservation Grants*

1. *Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant - Town of Westport*

A motion was made by Ms. Kelley, second by Dr. Buel, the State Historic Preservation Council approved a Historic Preservation Enhancement grant for the Town of Westport in the amount of \$2,800. (Y-10, N-0)

2. *Supplemental Certified Local Government Grant – Town of Westport*

A motion was made by Mrs. Green, second by Ms. Kelley, the State Historic Preservation Council approved an award of a Supplemental Certified Local Government Grant to the Town of Westport in the amount of \$15,000. (Y-10, N-0)

3. *Capital Improvement Grants*

None at this time

4. *Community Investment Act*

Prior to any action on items for the Community Investment Act – Dr. Woodward left the room.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughes, second by Ms. Kelley, the State Historic Preservation Council approved four (4) grant awards to: Ancient Burying Ground Association - Hartford, Brooklyn Housing Authority - Brooklyn, New Canaan Preservation Alliance – New Canaan, and the Connecticut Main Street Center – Statewide totaling \$110,695.00 from the 2009 Survey and Planning Grant Program. (Y-9, N-0)

Dr. Woodward was called back into the meeting.

Basic Operational Support Grant - New London Landmarks, Inc.

A motion was by Ms. Kelley, second by Mr. Hughes, the State Historic Preservation Council approved the second year grant award in the amount of \$34,942.00 to the New London Landmarks, Inc. (Y-10, N-0)

C. ***Preservation Restrictions***
None at this time

D. ***Archaeological Preserves***
None at this time.

VII. REPORT ON COMMISSION PROPERTIES – Karin Peterson Reporting

Museum Director, Karin Peterson's report was mailed to the Council prior to the meeting. Ms. Peterson reported major staffing issues since the Museum Division has lost two permanent part time employees and one seasonal employee, these positions can not be refilled due to the hiring freeze. She also reported that October is Archaeology month and all four museums have events planned.

VIII. THREATENED BUILDINGS – Susan Chandler Reporting

Ms. Chandler reported on ongoing and potential actions.

IX. REPORT ON STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE ACTIVITIES – Karen Senich Reporting

Ms. Senich reported on the status of funds received from the Community Investment Act. Linda Spencer is retiring as of October 31, 2008. She will return temporarily to train her replacement. Ms. Senich left the meeting at 10:00 AM.

X. LIAISON WITH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCIES

None at this time.

XI. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS CONCERNS

None at this time.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

- 41 South Main Street, Wallingford – None at this time.
- 93 East Avenue, Norwalk – None at this time.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – a motion to adjourn was made and so moved. All in Favor.

Future Actions

None at this time.

Old Business

- 41 South Main Street, Wallingford
- 93 East Avenue, Norwalk

Tabled Items

None at this time

Respectfully submitted by:
Sandy Hayes, Recording Secretary