

# CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON CULTURE AND TOURISM

State Historic Preservation Board  
June 11, 2009, 9:30 a.m.  
One Constitution Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut

## MINUTES

### DRAFT PENDING APPROVAL

**Present:** Chairman Edwards, Mr. Curtis, Dr. Curran, Mr. Favretti, Dr. Feder, Dr. Goodheart, Mr. Wigren, Ms. Winters

**Staff:** David Bahlman, Sandy Hayes, David Poirier, Stacey Vairo

**Absent:** Ms. Saunders, Dr. Tucker.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Edwards at 9:35 a.m.

#### II. REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURES

Copies of the public comment procedures were available in the back of the room.

#### III. *A motion was made by Mr. Curtis, second by Dr. Feder, to approve the minutes of March 12, 2009 as circulated. (Y-8, N-0)*

#### IV. ACTION ITEMS

The proceedings of the meeting, including all discussions on nominations, are recorded on audiotape, which is available at the Office of the State Historic Preservation Officer, One Constitution Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut. All registration forms are subject to changes made by the Board and by the State Historic Preservation Officer. All properties were inspected by a member of the Commission's staff prior to the meeting.

Ms. Vairo reported that for nominations of individual properties, all property owners were notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the pending nomination sixty days prior to the meeting. For nominations of districts, the chief executive officer of the town or city was notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the pending nomination sixty days prior to the meeting. Property owners within districts of less than fifty properties were notified by regular mail of the pending nomination sixty days prior to the meeting. For district nominations of fifty or more property owners, legal notices appeared twice in

local newspapers. Public information meetings were offered to each city/town in which a district is proposed.

All resources included in a National Register Inventory/Nomination form listed as “contributing” to the historical significance of a property have been so determined by the Board.

**A. COMPLETED NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATIONS – Stacey Vairo Reporting**

***Hollister Homestead, Washington (Criteria A,B,C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Alison Gilchrist. Three letters of support were received from Senator Andrew Roraback, Scott J. Tilden, Washington Historic Preservation Commission and Helen Higgins, Executive Director, Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation. Ms. Vairo read Helen Higgins letter into the record.

***A motion was made by Ms. Winters, second by Dr. Goodheart, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Hollister Homestead, Washington, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-8, N-0)***

***Quinebaug River Prehistoric Archaeological District, Canterbury (Criteria A,D)***

Staff recommends the district for listing. The consultant is Bruce Clouette. One letter of support was received by Charlene Cutler, Executive Director and CEO, The Last Green Valley.

***A motion was made by Dr. Feder, second by Mr. Curtis, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Quinebaug River Prehistoric Archaeological District, Canterbury, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-8, N-0)***

***Underwood Computing Machine Company Factory, Hartford (Criteria A,C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Lucas Kazimaris. No correspondence was received. Laura Knott-Twine, Executive Director, Historic Preservation Alliance, spoke in support of the nomination.

***A motion was made by Mr. Wigren, second by Dr. Feder, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Underwood Computing Machine Company Factory, Hartford, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-8, N-0)***

***Xi Chapter, Psi Upsilon Fraternity, Middletown (Criteria A,C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Jan Cunningham. No correspondence was received.

*A motion was made by Ms. Winters, second by Chairman Edwards, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Xi Chapter, Psi Upsilon Fraternity, Middletown, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-8, N-0)*

*Chatfield Farmstead, Woodbridge (Criteria A,C)*

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Jan Cunningham. No correspondence was received.

*A motion was made by Dr. Goodheart, second by Mr. Curtis, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Chatfield Farmstead, Woodbridge, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-8, N-0)*

*Elam Ives House, Hamden (Criterion C)*

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is James Sexton. One letter of support was received from owner, Dianne L. Tompkins, Senior Land Use Manager, South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority.

*A motion was made by Mr. Wigren, second by Dr. Feder, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Elam Ives House, Hamden, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-8, N-0)*

**V. REPORT OF THE DIVISION DIRECTOR – David Bahlman Reporting**

- Changes to the National Park Service review process for National Register nominations
- Federal and State Budgets
- All 4 museums open on reduced schedule
- Moderns Exhibit successful
- Two Portland houses

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

***Next Board Meeting***

Thursday, October 8, 2009, 9:30 a.m., One Constitution Plaza, main conference room.

***Tabled Item***

None at this time.

Respectfully submitted by :  
Sandy Hayes, Secretary II