

Historic District Commission

August 18, 2011

Minutes

1 Attending: Helen Rowe, Jamie Ramsay (Chair), Dick Kimball, Jim Emmonds, Sue Clark,  
2 Doug Chabinsky, and Bruce Fraser.

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4 Old Business: **4 Main St.** – Mr. Hall; tree removal. Kyle McCabe, Arborist from  
5 Merrimack NH. There is a “tight Whirl” canopy on this tree, it is not healthy and the  
6 roots have been disturbed. Pruning is not an option as it would not heal.  
7 Jamie states that this tree is in an awkward location and damage to the house is a  
8 consideration. Dick states that there are safety issues. Mr. Hall offers to replace this tree  
9 with one for the skating rink. Details to be work with the appropriate town department.  
10 The donation was not a condition for the tree removal.

11 A motion is made by Dick to approve the removal of this tree for safety reasons and one  
12 will be planted along the side of skating rink. Motion is seconded by Jim. All in favor,  
13 motion passes.

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15 New Business:

16 **3 Manchester Rd.** Mr. Handwerk would like to construct a walkway.

17 Findings: Contributing property in Historic District #146 circa 1790.

18 Limited visibility off walkway, this is a safety issue, materials proposed are appropriate  
19 styles and Hart Boston City Hall Pavers.

20 A motion is made by Dick to approve the application as presented, seconded by Helen,  
21 all in favor motion passes.

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23 **104 Amherst St.** Hidden Pond presented by Robert Kruse, he would like an extension of  
24 the application submitted over one year ago. There will not be any changes to the  
25 architectural design that was previously approved.

26 A motion was made to approve this renewal for 1 year from August 26, 2011 to August  
27 26, 2012, seconded by Jim, all in favor, approved.

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29 **85 Boston Post Rd.** Mr. Herlihy is proposing a Dover picket fence, 24’ in length in the  
30 side rear of his property.

31 Findings; this property is in the historic district and is a non-contributing property;  
32 visibility is minimum as it will not be painted. The fence is on the property line between  
33 2 non-contributing properties. The style is consistent with other fences in the historic  
34 district, in accordance with Historic District guidelines and appropriate to the location. It  
35 is a short fence (24ft) and it's orientation, contribute to the minimum visibility.

36 Jim makes a motion to approve this fence as presented, seconded by Jamie, all in favor,  
37 motion passes.

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40 **Other business:** There appears to be a fence under construction at 164 Amherst St. The  
41 Historic District does not have an application filed  
42 Jamie will check with the Planning & Zoning Department.

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44 **Approval of minutes**

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- 45 Jamie makes a motion to approve the minutes of July 21st, Doug seconds motion, Jim  
46 and Tom abstain, motion passes.  
47 Meeting adjourned.