

## December 16, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Smith, Mr. Treadway and Mr. Graney

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mrs. Picton and Mr. Talbot

ALTERNATES PRESENT: Mrs. Rives and Mrs. Boyer

ALTERNATES ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Mrs. Shade

### REGULAR MEETING

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:35PM and seated the members and seated Alternate Boyer for Mrs. Picton.

#### Consideration of the Minutes

MOTION: To approve the 11/18/02 minutes as written. By Mr. Treadway, seconded by Mrs. Boyer and passed 3-0.

### OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Smith seated Mr. Graney and Mrs. Rives(for Mr. Talbot) when they arrived at approximately 7:40PM and informed them that the November minutes had been approved.

The members discussed the 2003 Calendar. All meetings will be held on the third Monday of every month with the exception of January and February when the meeting will be on the second Monday. At the January meeting, officers will be elected for the new year. Mr. Graney asked the other members if they were agreeable to the January meeting and possibly the February meeting starting at 8PM. It was decided the January meeting will be at 8PM and for now, the time of the February meeting will be left at 7:30PM.

MOTION: To accept the Historic District Commission calendar for the year 2003. By Mr. Treadway, seconded by Mrs. Rives and passed 4-1.

HDC needs another alternate member. This member must live in one of the historic districts. Mrs. Boyer said she would talk with Mrs. Cabbell and Mrs. Chute who live on the Green to see if they might be interested. Mrs. Khouri was also mentioned as a possible new member as well as Mr. DiBenedetto.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Graney will check out the Greenfield fence at 12 Ives Road later this month.

Signs on the Green. It was noted that several residents have made negative comments regarding the sandwich board signs on the Green. The members agreed that when the signs come and go for special events that is ok. However, Mr. Treadway said the Congregational Church sign that is out all the time seems unnecessary and is getting dirty and ugly. It is his understanding that HDC does have jurisdiction over signs. Mr. Smith will check with Attorney Miles. Mr. Graney suggested approaching the Congregational Church to let them know the sandwich boards need to go in and out for special events. They are not meant to be permanent.

Mr. Graney said he thinks the greater impact on the Green district is from the DOT signs. He thinks the state would be willing to work with HDC. Mrs. Boyer agreed - if they are not approached from an adversarial position. She added, it would be helpful if they could combine some of their signs on the same post - they have a lot of signs in a small historic district.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting. By Mrs. Rives.

Mr. Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:10PM.

FILED SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha T. Shade,  
Secretary