

New Haven Planning Commission Meeting
7:00 pm
Town Offices
Wednesday, May 8, 2013

Present: Co - Chair, Bill Brooks, Co-Chair, Francie Caccavo, Angie Dunbar, Pat Palmer, Rob Litch and Jim Walsh

Absent: Rod Case

Visitors: Beverly Landon and John Madden

VISITORS BUSINESS:

1. **Beverly Landon** had previously contacted Jim Walsh about the Advent Church in Brooksville when she heard the church had been moved across the lot from its original site, and is going to be incorporated into someone's new home. She feels the new location is much too close to the New Haven River, and high water could damage the building. She had seen the Notices from the DRB in the local paper, but there was no mention in there that a Historic Structure was involved, only the property owners name and parcel ID #. She said if she'd known she would have said something. Beverly's family has a long time connection and involvement with the Advent Church; she is the last person living in New Haven involved with it. Beverly would like to see some steps taken in the future to protect the remaining 5 Historic structures, which are: The Junction Depot / The Lampson School / The Rattlin' Bridge (Huntington Falls Bridge) and Olivia's Croutons (barn) formerly the Bottom Farm. Beverly said she contacted the Vermont State Historical Society and they advised her that because there were no grants involved in the Advent Church, their hands are tied. Jim Walsh said he has spoken with Town Attorney, Cindy Hill about what steps the PC can take, he is waiting to hear back from her. Francie Caccavo said her reaction to the Advent Church was just the opposite of Beverly's. She was pleased to see that someone was willing to revive the structure, although she does feel it is close to the river. The PC thanked Beverly for coming to the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Route 7 Corridor discussion continues** – Discussion about Scenic Overlays and whether or not to incorporate them into this revision or not. All agreed to wait until Claire Tebbs has forwarded her draft document to the Planning Commission; knowing that it will be revised several times. The PC is expecting to have the document by May 15th. Francie will write up something for the June Newsletter to inform the public about what they have been working on.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Rob Litch made a motion to approve the minutes from April 26, 2013, seconded by Francie Caccavo. 6 yes / 0 no

MISC. CORRESPONDENCE:

Adjourn: 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted:


Pam Kingman

Approved:

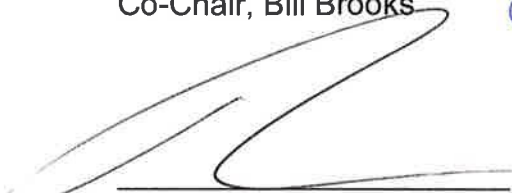
Co-Chair, Bill Brooks



Francie Caccavo



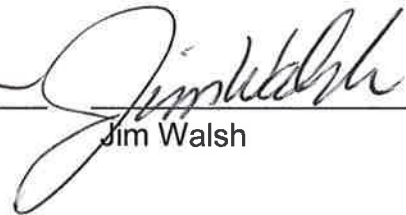
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