

# **WARREN VOLUNTARY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of August 20, 2013 Meeting**

**Warren Town Hall, 2nd Floor**

**7:30 pm**

**Attendees: Brig. Gen. (ret.) Richard Valente, Eileen Collins, Patricia Read, John Sheridan, Steven Thompson and Edward J. Theberge**

**Location: Council Chambers, Warren Town Hall**

## **1- Call to Order**

**The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.**

## **2- Review of Applicants**

### **a. Jill and Thomas Culora**

**976 Main Street**

**Ms. Culora explained that the project consists of exterior painting, some repair to the gingerbread trim and other like repairs to the back and side of the house. The color of the house will remain the same. The estimate totals \$6,550.00.**

**Mr. Theberge made a motion to approve the plan as presented, seconded by Ms. Collins. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **3- Review of Minutes**

#### **a. May 21, 2013 Regular Meeting**

**Motion made by Mr. Thompson to accept the minutes as submitted, seconded by Ms. Collins and passed unanimously.**

#### **b. June 18, 2013 Regular Meeting**

**Motion made by Ms. Collins to accept the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Theberge and passed unanimously.**

#### **c. July 16, 2013 Regular Meeting**

**Motion made by Ms. Collins to accept the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Theberge and passed unanimously.**

#### **d. July 23, 2013 Special Meeting**

**Motion made by Ms. Collins to accept the minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Thompson and passed unanimously.**

### **4- Old Business**

#### **a. Financial Report**

**Motion made by Ms. Collins to approve the voucher for the secretary, seconded by Mr. Theberge and passed unanimously.**

**The committee discussed the resignation of longtime member John DaSilva who had kept and filed both the financial and status reports. Chairman Valente said he would email Mr. DaSilva concerning the reports and assist with going forward. Ms. Collins said she would be willing to try to do the reporting and filing in the future for both the Financial and Status Reports.**

**b. Status Report**

Status report tabled until next month.

**c. Main and Baker Street property**

Owner Hiram Jamiel was unable to attend tonight's meeting to discuss

improving the condition of the above property. He is expected to attend next month's meeting.

**d. Demolition Ordinance**

The committee discussed the proposed amendments to the Demolition Ordinance.

The committee would like to submit its recommendations to Town Solicitor Anthony DeSisto to include a cover page to explain the changes and the location of the Warren Historic District as described in the Town Ordinance.

The committee also discussed several changes in wording it would like enacted.

A comment was made as to the outmoded version on the Town's Website and the need to have it updated.

The WVHDC's plan is to see that these revisions are approved and then work toward strengthening the ordinance. Mr. Brandt Heckert, who attended the meeting, cautioned that the version that is submitted by the WVHDC for discussion at the

**upcoming meeting must be the same as that of the Town Solicitor or there will be confusion, he said.**

## **5 - New Business**

**A memorandum submitted by the secretary was read. In it she stated that she has fielded many inquiries about the WVHD program in response to the tax bill inserts.**

## **6 - Adjournment**

**Mr. Theberge made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Sheridan and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.**