

**TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

Minutes of February 22, 2012

A meeting of the North Smithfield Historic District Commission was held on  
Monday, February 22, 2012  
in the Greenwood Room at 6:30 PM  
at the North Smithfield Public Library, 20 Main Street, Slatersville, RI

**Call to order:** *6:36 pm*

**Members Present:** Louise Belisle, Daniel Couture, Jeffrey Harris, Linda Frye, Elizabeth Martin

**Members Absent:** Gwen Cunningham, Jeffrey Fontaine

**Guests:** Christian de Rezendes of Breaking Branches Pictures

**Materials Distributed:** Agenda, Minutes, Preservation Brief (10).

**Approval of Minutes from January 23, 2012 Meeting**

Approval for the minutes from the January 23, 2012 meeting was unanimous.

**Applications**

- A. Certificate of Appropriateness: 246 Great Road, Plat 6 Lot 90, Union Village Historic District.

Owner: Daniel T. & Wilma E. Walsh

The Commission reviewed the application, as submitted. The work proposed consists of stripping the existing asphalt shingle roofing materials on the main house as well as the garage, and as may be required, repairing any damage to the roof structure and sheathing; installing ice and water shield, new underlayment, new drip edging, necessary flashings where needed, new ridge vent and new asphalt roof shingles. The new asphalt shingles are a GAF High Definition "Timberline Prestique" style of the color 'Shakewood.' The Commission made the following Resolution:

It was determined that the Alteration/ Remodeling/ Repairs specified above are essentially an 'in-kind' replacement and are appropriate and congruous. Approval for the application, as submitted, for a Certificate of Appropriateness was granted.

Motion to Approve:	Daniel Couture
Seconded:	Elizabeth Martin
All in favor	
Opposed:	None

- B. A written Resolution (#02222012-A) and a Certificate of Appropriateness will be forwarded to the applicant and submitted for record to the Office of the Building Inspector. The

applicant has been advised to submit an application for review by the Commission should any other exterior changes requiring a building permit arise.

### **Communications**

- A. As part of the Commission's continued 'Education Series', Jeff H. submitted to members a copy of Preservation Brief (10): Exterior Paint Problems on Historic Woodwork, by Kay D. Weeks and David W. Look, AIA, for the U.S. Department of the Interior. (see attached copy)
- B. New Members: The Commission welcomed Elizabeth Martin as a new member to fill the vacancy left by John Zambarano. Jeff H. to provide all necessary documentation to bring Liz M. up to date with the Commission's activities.
- C. Christian de Rezendes of Breaking Branches Pictures gave a brief summary of his preliminary work on producing a documentary film about the history of Slatersville.

### **Old Business**

- A. A revised draft copy for the standardized informational letter to present to Real Estate agents and/or their respective companies was tabled to next meeting.

### **New Business**

- A. Subcommittee Report: Union Village Historic District Research Committee
  - 1. Louise B. briefly described her research at the Building Inspector's office. She reviewed 12 properties of historic significance (color-coded 'pink' on the revised map of Union Village Historic District) and recorded concise notes on each one.
  - 2. Dan C. reviewed the remaining 4 properties of historic significance.
  - 3. The subcommittee will develop a system and produce a standard format for recording the information reviewed and notated, and begin to formalize their notes into a clear and concise document to present to the Commission members when all properties have been reviewed.

### **Meeting Adjourned**

The meeting was called to a close at 7:56 p.m.

Motion:	Daniel Couture
Seconded:	Louise Belisle
All in favor	
Opposed:	None

Next Meeting: Monday, March 19, 2012