

Town of North Smithfield
Historic District Commission

Minutes of February 23, 2015

A meeting of the North Smithfield Historic District Commission was held on
Monday, February 23, 2015
at 6:30 PM
Heritage Hall, 101 Greene St. Street, Slatersville, RI

Call to order: 6:36

Members Present: Daniel Couture, Christian de Rezendes, Jeffrey Fontaine, Jeffrey Harris,
Elizabeth Martin, Keith Nadeau, Eric Piette

Members Absent: none

Materials Distributed: Agenda, Minutes for December 22, 2014

Approval of Minutes from December 22, 2014

Minutes from the December 22 meeting deferred to March meeting.

Applications

No applications filed.

Old Business

A. F.Y.I.: Grant workshop January 21, 2015 at the Woonsocket Museum of Work & Culture

B. F.Y.I.: Rhode Island Foundation- Grant workshop, February 18.

C. Review grant opportunities for the Forestdale Schoolhouse master plan (re: joint venture with the North Smithfield Heritage Association). (Blackstone Heritage Corridor- Partnership Program Grants)(1772 Foundation- Grant program-Letter of Inquiry (due March 15, 2015).

1. Possible potential for grant dollars regarding master plan of Forestdale schoolhouse.
2. Grant qualification not yet examined.

D. T.B.D.: Historic district Informational Meeting with the Slatersville Congregational Church.

1. Date not determined as yet. NSHDC is requesting that Congregational Church revisit its position with respect to the Slatersville Historic District.
2. Presently the church property is not included within the Slatersville Historic District..

New Business

A. Introduction of new member to NSHDC: Keith Nadeau

B.. Establish Annual Calendar of Meetings

1. NSHDC meetings will be held at Heritage Hall on 101 Greene St., Slatersville at 6:30 on the fourth Monday of every month for the remaining 2015 calendar year.
2. Meeting dates are as follows: 3/23. 4/27, 5/18, 6/22, 7/27, 8/24, 9/28, 10/26, 11/30, 12/28.

C. Annual Elections: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary

1. Chairperson: Jeffrey Harris
Motion to approve: Elizabeth Martin
Seconded: Jeff Fontaine
All in favor
Opposed: None

2. Vice- Chairperson: Jeffrey Fontaine
Motion to approve: Daniel Couture
Seconded: Eric Piette
All in favor
Opposed: None

3. Secretary: Elizabeth Martin
Motion to approve: Daniel Couture
Seconded: Christian de Rezendes
Opposed: None

Subcommittee Reports:

- A. Subcommittee: Union Village Historic District Research Committee
Research
1. Continuing.

- B. Subcommittee Report: Rhode Island Historic Preservation and Heritage Commission for Certified Local Government Grant(NSHDC CLG Grant Committee).
1. Continuing.

- C. Subcommittee Report : North Smithfield Historic District Commission Standards and Guidelines (NSHDC S&G Committee):
 1. Received \$250 RIHPHC CLG grant to help with the cost of brochure outlining Standards and Guidelines for homeowners of property located within one of North Smithfield's historic districts.
 2. CLG grant monies are matching grants. The NS town budget for 2015 has budgeted \$250 for said purpose. Total cost of brochure (printing and mailing) is estimated at \$500.

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was called to a close at 7:45

Motion: Dan Couture

Seconded: Christian de Rezendes

All in favor

Opposed: None

Next Meeting: Monday , March 23, 2015