

**Historic Resources Committee
Town of Camden
Minutes of Meeting August 10, 2010**

Present: Members: Mark DeMichele, Kit Parker; Alternate: Abby Fitzgerald;
Volunteers: Sally Enggass, Ann Sziklas, Susan Snead; Select Board Liaison Deb
Dodge; Planning Board Member Richard Householder; Camden Library Parks
Director Dave Jackson

Mark nominated Kit Parker to be the Camden Historic Resources Committee
Chair. The nomination was seconded and approved unanimously.

The minutes of the April, June and July meetings were approved.

Old Business:

There was no Town Manager's report

Village Green:

Sally reported that the Village Green needs some weeding. Fungus remains on
the evergreens. The dogwoods are better than last year. Since the Town cannot use
herbicides, it was suggested that Kit contact Roberta about having the Town Tree
Warden trim the diseased trees.

Harbor Park and Amphitheater:

Dave Jackson has expressed interest in coming to our meetings. The National
Landmarks Designation for the Amphitheater is scheduled for consideration for
approval in the spring.

Archives:

Ann reported that she and Rosalee Glass have finished updating the database
and there is now a complete list of all Town documents that have been catalogued
by the Archives Committee.

Design Standards Ordinance:

Richard Householder reported that the Planning Board recommends that design
standards to protect Camden's historic buildings and sites be part of the site plan
review process. The revised ordinance that contains only *recommendations* will be
on the November ballot. The Planning Board has appointed a separate

subcommittee to develop a Design Standards Ordinance and would like to have a member from the Historic Resources Committee. Kit will serve on this subcommittee.

New Business

Discussion of Mission:

Promoting and raising awareness of the historic aspects of Camden was discussed. The Main Street Program was mentioned as something Camden could pursue. It was suggested that our committee be in touch with Peter Gross, chair of the Community and Economic Development Advisory Committee (CEDAC). In citing special historic features, Dave Jackson pointed out that Camden received the National Park Service's Preserve America Community award, based on the care and documentation of its historic resources. Camden and Gardiner are the only two communities in Maine to receive this award. Due to Dave's efforts the Camden Amphitheater was given special recognition on the register of historic places of national significance, as distinguished from places of regional significance. Camden has three historic districts on the Nation Register.

Meeting Schedule:

There will be regularly scheduled meetings, but they will be cancelled if there is no reason to meet.

Deb Dodge noted that the Select Board will hold public hearings for warrants on the November ballot on September 7. The Select Board will vote on these warrants on September 24.

Future Members:

Kit suggested we invite potential members to a meeting to observe. Charlie and Dorothea Graham were mentioned as potential members.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Snead

