

## Camden Historic Resources Committee

Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2013

**Present:** Members: Meg Barclay, Beedy Parker, Judy McGuirk, Pat Skaling; Alternates: Susan Snead, Ann Sziklas, Kris Mikkelsen; Volunteers: Rosalee Glass; Select Board Liaison: Don White

The meeting was called to order by Meg Barclay at 4:00 PM.

The minutes from July 9, 2013, were accepted with the correction of the spelling of "Amphitheatre"

**New Business:** Don White reported that the Select Board is continuing to meet with the remainder of the Town Committees concerning their goals and the alignment of Committee goals with the Select Board goals. Don reported that the meetings have gone very well. One issue the Select Board is still considering is the length of terms for the Planning Board members.

Meg Barclay represented the Historic Resources Committee at the goals workshop meeting with the Select Board on July 23. She reported that when the HR Committee's work is completed for the Comprehensive Plan, one of the Historic Resource Committee's tasks will be to look at other Committee's charters to see how the HR Committee can interact with other Committees. Meg stated that the meeting went very well, and she will share more details of the goals workshop at a future meeting when we are finished with the discussions and revisions of our Chapter 14 of the Comprehensive Plan.

### **Committee Reports:**

Village Green: Kris reported the Garden Club is keeping the beds cleared of weeds and will weed the Allen Agency side weeded even though it is not the Club's responsibility. She will check with Bart Wood the tree warden to see what can be done to clean up and prune the trees as this is a Town responsibility. Lynn Snider is the new chair of the Village Green committee.

Archives: Deedee is continuing to work on hanging the Light Tower Museum photos. The frames are reportedly finished and hung, and Deedee is deciding which particular photos are to be exhibited.

Harbor Park and Amphitheatre: The July 13 celebration for the new landmark status for the Library Park and Amphitheatre held in the Amphitheatre was a wonderful event. A new plaque has been placed in the entrance area.

### **Old Business:**

Opera House: Information from Kerry Hadley, Director of the Camden Opera House, relayed by Meg reported that the proposed renovations to the Opera House to be funded by TIF monies (Tax Increment Funding) were not funded. The monies will go to restoration of the Montgomery Dam. Results of the needs assessment for the third floor of the Opera House have not yet been received so the renovations to the front office will not go forward at this time. 501C3 papers have been filed.

Chapter 14 of Comprehensive Plan: Discussion of the latest revision of Historic Resources' Chapter 13 took up most the time at this meeting. The committee reviewed carefully the latest version of Chapter 14 as revised once again by the Planning Committee. Generally we felt that the latest version is the strongest draft to date. We collectively made suggestions and revisions which we felt even enhanced the latest Planning Board draft, and Meg will prepare these revisions for the Planning Board before their public information meeting in two days on August 15.

Chapter 13 of Comprehensive Plan: Discussion of the parts of Chapter 13, Recreation and Open Space that contained items (places and spaces) that were of historic relevance. This input will be submitted to the committee reviewing this chapter.

Next meeting is September 10, 2013.  
The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Skaling