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Minutes – Regular Meeting – June 11, 2015

1.0 Roll Call - Chairman Hurd called the meeting to order at 8:22 PM at the Vernon Historical Society. Members present were Hurd, Iacobello, Saucier, and Nelson. Alternate Reudgen sat for Quinn who was absent. Alternate Nicholson was absent. John Kopec of Jan Drive was also present representing Friends of Valley Falls.

4.1 Informal discussion of repairs to residence and barn at Valley Falls Farm, Valley Falls Road, Vernon. John Kopec, cabinetmaker plans to replace the door on the porch of the house with one in traditional fashion. Pictures were shown of the existing door showing its poor condition. Plans are to construct an exact replica using Spanish cedar and to include the two windows that may have been a replacement of wood door panels. The replacement hardware will determine the exact panel locations but will be period correct hardware. A second project is to replace the ball that was once on top of the cupola. It was found on the ground and cannot be reinstalled due to its poor condition. A like one will be fashioned.

It was agreed by the Commission that these two projects can be considered to be repairs.

2.0 Approval of Minutes

Regular Meeting May 14, 2015. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Saucier, seconded by Iacobello and voted in the affirmative with Hurd, Saucier and Reudgen voting in favor of the motion with Nelson and Iacobello abstaining.

3.0 Communications

Chairman Hurd reported on the resignation of Town Planner Nolan who will be returning to Ireland. Economic Development Coordinator Shaun Gately will return as our contact person.

4.0 Review of the PZC, ZBA, and Demolition Applications

4.2 No other applications have been received.

5.0 Unfinished Business

5.1 Design Guidelines for Historic Districts and Properties – Distribution of booklets: No report

5.2 Study of the Strong Farm, War Memorial Tower, Lucina Chapel and Hockanum Company House: No report

5.3 Tour of the Hockanum Mill – postponed – To Be Determined

6.0 New Business – Communication Tower request for comment

6.1 Legion Field – to add an additional eleven feet to the existing tower. This is not in the historic district.

6.2 EBI Consulting with a change of its May, 2014 plans for a new tower to be located on Gaynor Place at the Ellington line. The new plan provides for a tower of 144 feet in height and not substantially different from their original request.

It was decided that there will be no comment from the Commission regarding either request.

7.0 The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 PM.


~~DRAFT FOR APPROVAL~~
Carol S. Nelson, Secretary

Date Approved: *Aug 13, 2015*