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LOCAL HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION

Minutes – Regular Meeting – July 14, 2011

1.0 Chairman Hurd called the meeting to order at 7:30. Members present included Courtois, Hurd, Iacobello, Nelson, Nicholson, Quinn and Saucier. Also present was Sean Gatley, Economic Development Coordinator.

2.0 Minutes
- 2.1. Acceptance of Minutes, Regular Meeting of February 10– On a motion by Nelson seconded by Nicholson, minutes of the meeting were approved unanimously with 3 abstentions

3.0 Communication – None

4.0 PZC, ZBA, Demolition Applications - None

5.0 County Home School
- 5.1. Work is progressing; framing will start this coming week.

6.0 Unfinished Business
- 6.1. Design Guidelines - No change
- 6.2. Strong Farm and War Memorial Tower– Work will be finished on the reports for these two properties to be completed by the fall for presentation to State and Town officials
- 6.3. 7 Orchard Street – The Vernon Historical Society has been bequeathed the house and would like to have it designated as a Local Historical Property. The Commission will start working on the report to have it completed with the other reports for Fall submission
- 6.4. Talcottville Street Improvements – Neighbors have complained about the design and mass of the welcome center. The landscaping has been completed and neighborhood volunteers have expressed interest in providing upkeep for the plantings.

7.0 New Business
- 7.1. St. Bernard's Parish buildings, School Street, Rockville – Michele Beaulieu of Moser, Pilon, Nelson Architects asked for the Commissions input on a project the parish is planning. The existing school and Parish Center do not meet the needs of the parish in their current condition and layout. The parish is considering all options including rehabilitation and demolition. The Commission strongly urged that all efforts be made to save the buildings. A structure connecting the two buildings and gutting and refurbishing the existing structures was discussed as the option most desired by the Commission. The suggestions will be presented to the parish to assist in their planning of the project.
- 7.2. The house at 25 Elm Hill Road in the Talcottville Historic District has had substantial work done to it. The commission will investigate to assure all work complies with guidelines

8.0 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Courtois, Secretary

Date Approved: 8/11/11