Town of Amherst, New Hampshire Historic District Commission Minutes March 16, 2017

The Amherst Village Historic District Commission met on **March 16, 2017 at 7:00 pm** in the Barbara Landry Meeting Room, 2nd floor, Amherst Town Hall, 2 Main Street, Amherst, NH 03031.

Historic District Commission members in attendance were Jamie Ramsay, Chairman; Chris Hall, Vice Chairman (arrived at 7:10pm); Susan Clark; Doug Chabinsky; Chris Buchanan, Alternate; & Charlie Duval, Alternate

Staff in attendance included Community Development Director Gordon Leedy & Planner Simon Corson. Simon recorded the minutes.

Called to Order:

Chairman Jamie Ramsay called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

120 Amherst Street: Present: Mark & Jessica Laflamme, homeowner.

Jamie introduced members of the Commissioners for the benefit of the new Historic District residents and stated that they were present tonight for a conceptual discussion only on replacement windows.

Mr. Laflamme made his presentation to Commissioners and will submit a formal application for next month's meeting. The Commissioners expressed their appreciation that they came and discussed their plans.

Presentation on Historic District Gateway Signage & Related Traffic Engineering Concepts:

Chris Buchanan made a presentation about roadway design and the several methods of directing drivers to slow down and be more cognizant of pedestrians. A conversation started by Chris Hall was had about the process of actualizing some of Chris's ideas. More discussion regarding prioritization of roadway design projects in the Village. Community Development Director, Gordon Leedy, provided an update of the CLG/CAMP grant. The Commissioners agreed that the grant presents a good opportunity to review their regulations. There was discussion about how to have small group meetings to discuss Historic District Commission regulations, judicial process, and public image/outreach. Gordon and Planner Simon Corson clarified the laws about when the meeting must be publicly posted and when minutes need to be taken and publicly posted.

Heritage Commission Chairman Will Ludt made comment, followed by Heritage Commission member John Bement.

 Minutes: Sue motioned to approve the minutes of February 16, 2017 as written, Chris Buchanan 2nd. VOTE: Voting in favor of approving the minutes were Sue, Chris B., & Charlie. Jamie and Doug recused. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:25pm. Respectfully Submitted, Simon Corson, Planner