Harwinton Historic District & Historic Properties Commission MINUTES OF MEETING Tuesday, February 15, 2011-- 7:00 PM

Present: Carole Romano, Roger Plaskett, Jennifer Grady, Greg Marshall.

Absent: Bree Gurin

Alternate Jennifer Grady seated as Regular for Bree Gurin Also in attendance: Mary Dunne and Peter Brazaitis.

Quorum established. Meeting opened at 7: 15 PM by Chairman Carole Romano.

MINUTES

Minutes for the November 2010 meeting were accepted as submitted. All in favor. No meetings were held in December 2010 or January 2011 due to weather.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1.) Carole introduced Mary Dunne, Local Government Grants Coordinator for the State of Connecticut, who was here to answer questions on how to help the T.A. Hungerford Museum become a Historic Property under the Harwinton Historic District Commission once they receive their designation as an historic property from the State. Following this, Commission member Roger Plaskett explained the situation with the Harwinton House in New Canaan and the plans to dismantle it and bring it back to Harwinton. On Monday, Feb. 28th at 7:00 pm Roger will give a presentation about this to the community at the Harwinton Senior Center on Weingart Road. More information as to the history of the house may be found at www.harwintonhistory.com under the Harwinton House link. Ms Dunne asked to be kept advised on both issues.
- 2.) Peter Brazaitis of Woodchuck Lane was introduced as a candidate for Alternate for the Commission. Peter spoke of his interest in joining the Commission and his background. Members voted in favor by email to accept him. His name will be submitted to the Board of Selectmen.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1.) No applications have been received. Membership in the National Trust for Historic Preservation Forum was renewed for one year. All in favor.
- 2.) The severe winter has taken its toll on at least 2 of the district signs: South Road, and Route 4/Harmony Hill Road.
- 3.) Roger reported over 1,300 hits on the website <u>www.harwintonhistory.com</u> last month, with over 750 hits in one day alone.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Hohensee, Clerk