## **Minutes**

## BENNINGTON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION Bennington Town Office – Conference Room December 8, 2016 @ 4:00 P.M.

Present: Jeff Goldstone, Joe Hall, Michael Harrington, Michael McDonough

Guest(s): Bob Tegart (Elm Street), Jim Therrien

- 1. November 14, 2016 minutes
  - a. Moved approval, Hall; second, McDonough passed (Goldstone abstained)
- 2. 136 North Street sign application
  - a. Goldstone moved approval; second, Hall unanimous approval
  - b. Suggest border and mounting block
- 3. State of Vermont Proposed Removal of Bennington Falls (Papermill Bridge) from National Register
  - a. Chairperson McDonough shared the status of the situation, along with input from the Town's Planning Director. Discussion ensued.
  - b. Hall moved to have Harrington draft a letter in opposition to this state action that will be emailed back to the board for approval.
- 4. Proposed Telecommunications Facility
  - a. McDonough explained the project and the position of the Bennington Planning Commission
  - b. Hall moved to have Harrington draft a letter sharing concern about the project and its impact on the view shed from the historic district; Goldstone seconded unanimously approved.
- 5. Other Business
  - a. Harrington shared that a local resident was interested in volunteering with the Commission
  - b. Harrington shared the State of Vermont's Historic Preservation Plan
  - c. Hall moved adjournment; Goldstone seconded unanimous approval

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Harrington, HPC Secretary Director of Economic and Community Development