

Village of Skaneateles  
Historical Landmarks Preservation Commission  
September 12, 2012

Present: Patricia Blackler, Chairman, HLPC  
Katharine Dyson, Member  
Karlene Miller, Member  
Dave Neibert, Member  
Andrew Ramsgard, Member  
Mona Smalley, Member

Dennis Dundon, Clerk to the Historical Commission

James Lanning, Village Trustee  
Chad Rogers, Skaneateles

Absent: Ted Kinder, Member  
Beverly White, Member  
Carol Young, Member

Chairman Blackler asked if everyone had done their pictures of buildings within the historic district. Most have, and have given them to Member Ramsgard. Members Kinder, Neibert and White have some to complete. Member Ramsgard indicated that he has most of them organized, and has been working on the aerial photograph, for site plans. He has set up a presentation to examine each for historically significant or important features or details. The Commission discussed adding the Sanborn maps for individual properties and agreed that completing and using the state historic resource inventory form would be beneficial. Members confirmed their assignments for buildings within the district. The Creamery has details on many buildings; while they need to be verified, they make a good starting point for the Commission.

Some further discussion was conducted on treatment for newer style houses built within the District, such as 102 East Genesee. The Members concluded that it would be useful to discover what had been there before. At 102, it was the Bentley House – a former carriage barn. It is not out of the question that someone, someday might want to duplicate the original structures.

Member Ramsgard said that he had been made aware of a pending roof replacement being discussed by St. James Church. The desirability of having it redone in slate rather than asphalt shingles was discussed. The roof is a significant historical detail, in the opinion of the Commission.

While the Church has received a very high cost guesstimate, Member Ramsgard's recent work at the Seward house leads him to conclude that a reasonable range might be low to mid six-figures. Member Ramsgard thinks that over a long period of time, that slate is actually a better economic

choice than repeated applications of shingles. He has encouraged their board to come in for an informal discussion with the Commission before making their formal application.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Dundon, Clerk to HLPC