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Public Input, and Other Information  
at the end of this agenda.**

**DURHAM HISTORIC DISTRICT/HERITAGE COMMISSION**

**Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Town Council Chambers, Durham Town Hall**

**8 Newmarket Road**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Seating of Alternates
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
- V. Approval of Minutes: March 7, 2024
- VI. Public Comments
- VII. Staff Report
- VIII. **Durham Community Church.** 17 Main Street. Application for various changes to the existing building including replacement of the granite steps; replacing/rehabilitating numerous windows; washing, repairing, and painting portions of the exterior; and rehabilitating the front doors, the steeple, and the copper roof. Community Church of Durham, property owner. Stephanie Castoldi, Project Manager for Careno Construction, contractor. Map 108, Lot 6. **HDC**
- IX. **1 Durham Point Road.** Discussion about condition of the house which has been vacant for several years. **HDC**
- X. **Revolution 1774 – Raid on Fort William and Mary.** Update on planned events in Durham. **HC**
- XI. **Preservation Month.** Discussion about potential activities May. **HC**
- XII. **Updating the HDC Ordinance.** Zoning amendment to update the old Map and Lot numbers to the current ones in the Historic District Ordinance. **HDC**
- XIII. **Oyster River Raid Sign.** Update on Roundtable Discussions. **HC**
- XIV. **Oyster River Dam.** Update on discussions about mitigation for the dam. **HC**
- XV. **Wagon Hill Bickford Chesley House.** Update on plans for renovations. **HC**
- XVI. **Old Brick Town Hall Plaque.** Update on creating a historical plaque. **HC**
- XVII. **Election of Officers** **HC/HDC**

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XVIII. Other Business

XIX. Adjournment - by 9:30 p.m.

**\*ZOOM ACCESS**

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If you have difficulty logging in, contact DCAT: **603-590-1383**.

**\*PUBLIC INPUT**

Members of the public may provide input to the commission in one of three ways:

- 1) *Email*. Send an email or letter to Michael Behrendt, Town Planner, at [mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us](mailto:mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us).
- 2) *Zoom*. Participate in the meeting via Zoom. See the instructions below.
- 3) *Speaking at the meeting itself*.

**\*OTHER INFORMATION**

*Public Comments*. The public is welcome to speak about any specific agenda item when that item comes up on the agenda and about any other appropriate subject during Public Comments time.

*HDC/HC*. HDC stands for Historic District Commission. HC stands for Heritage Commission. The commission is one body with two roles. The HDC reviews applications in the Historic District. The Heritage Commission's broader role is to promote historic preservation throughout Durham.

*Additional information*. Files on the items above may be reviewed in the Planning Office from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and on the website at [https://www.ci.durham.nh.us/boc\\_historic](https://www.ci.durham.nh.us/boc_historic).

*Contacting us*. Contact the Planning Department with any questions or comments about the items above or any planning-related matters. Call (603) 868-8064 or email Michael Behrendt, Town Planner, at [mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us](mailto:mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us) or Tracey Cutler, Administrative Assistant at [tcutler@ci.durham.nh.us](mailto:tcutler@ci.durham.nh.us).

*Communication aids*. Please provide us 48-hour notice if special communication aids are needed.

*Next meeting*. The next Historic District Commission meeting will be **June 6, 2024**.

**\*LAND, WATER AND LIFE ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATEMENT**

The Town of Durham, New Hampshire wishes to acknowledge the spiritual and physical connection maintained by the Pennacook, Abenaki and Wabanaki peoples to N'dakinna (homeland), aki (land), nibi (water), lolakwihak (flora) and awaasak (fauna). New Hampshire has been home to these Indigenous people for thousands of years. The residents of Durham acknowledge the ongoing hardships endured by our Indigenous neighbors after the loss of their unceded homelands which we now steward, and we will work to foster relationships to support the well-being of Indigenous people who carry forward the traditions of their ancestors.