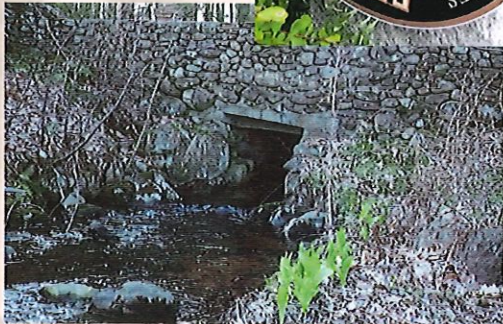
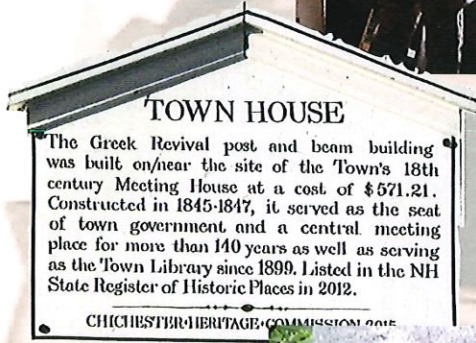


POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

as outlined in the Statute (RSA 674:44-b) as follows:

- Survey and inventory historical and cultural resources.
- Assist the Planning Board, if requested, in the development and review of those sections of the Master Plan which address historical, cultural, and scenic resources.
- Conduct research and publish findings.
- Advise, upon request, local agencies and other local boards on matters pertaining to historical, cultural and scenic resources.
- Coordinate activities, programs and events with appropriate service organizations and non-profit groups.
- Publicize its activities to keep citizens informed.
- Hire consultants and contractors as needed.
- Perform a study to assess the value in creating a local historic district and prepare an ordinance for it.
- Receive gifts of money and property, both real and personal, in the name of the Town, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen, such gifts to be managed and controlled by the Commission for its proper purposes.
- Hold meetings and hearings necessary to carry out its duties.



Chichester Heritage Commission



PRESERVING COMMUNITY CHARACTER



Recognizing, acknowledging and protecting the historic, cultural and scenic resources that form the rural atmosphere, character and scenic beauty of Chichester's heritage.



BACKGROUND OF COMMISSION

The Heritage Commission was established by a majority vote at the March 14th, 2009 Town Meeting, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 673 (membership) and RSA 674 (Powers and Duties).

MEMBERSHIP

"A membership of seven members and three alternate members, including one member from the local governing body, shall be appointed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 673:4a by the Board of Selectmen. Terms of regular and alternate members shall be for one to three years and shall be staggered."

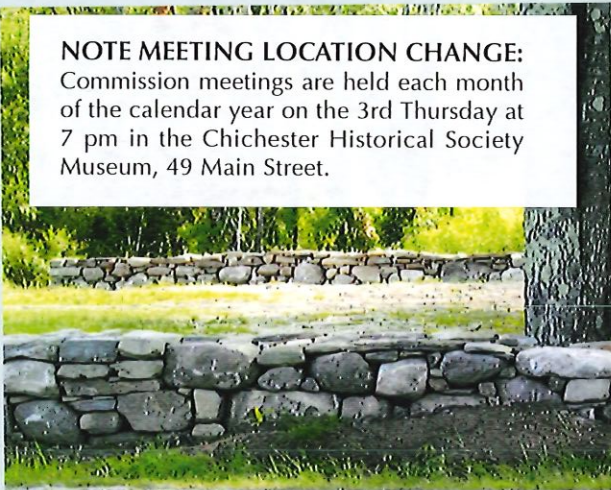
MEETINGS

Commission meetings are held each month of the calendar year on the 3rd Thursday at 7 pm in the Chichester Town Library, 161 Main Street. Meetings are open to the public. Your interest and participation is appreciated.

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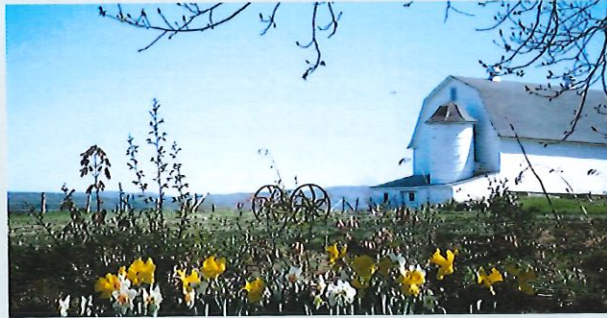
NOTE MEETING LOCATION CHANGE:

Commission meetings are held each month of the calendar year on the 3rd Thursday at 7 pm in the Chichester Historical Society Museum, 49 Main Street.



MISSION STATEMENT

The charge of the Heritage Commission is to preserve community character. The Commission works in an advisory capacity to recognize and preserve historical, cultural, and scenic resources valued for their aesthetic and community significance.



OUR PURPOSE IS TO:

- Provide guidance to owners of properties eligible for State and National Historic Register designation.
- Lead preservation planning initiatives by doing resource surveys/inventories.
- Accept and expend funds from a non-lapsing Heritage Fund.
- Raise community awareness of the public benefit of preserving our historical, cultural, and scenic resources through education not policy.
- Provide a town-wide focus, specific to the needs of our community.



YOUR COMMISSION AT WORK

- Two Town buildings placed on the NH State Register of Historic Places
- Two Moose Plate Grants received for full window restoration of the Grange/Town Hall windows
- Assistance to barn owners in preparation of Barn Easements (79-D) and Barn Assessment Grants
- Preparation of Master Plan Chapter "Historical, Cultural, and Scenic Resources"
- Advocate for stone wall protection and scenic road designation
- Beautification projects along Main Street
- Roadside Maple Tree Replacement Project on Canterbury Road
- Promotion of the preservation of historic structures
- Plan NH Community Design Charrette and Community Greenspace partner
- Presentation of programs on preservation, barns, easements and other related topics
- Historic signage for Main Street
- Historic Main Street brochure
- Architectural Features of Historic Main Street Exhibit with Chichester Photo Group
- Survey and inventory of historical, cultural and scenic resources
- Flags along Historic Main Street contributor
- Old Home Day participation