

**POC&D COMMITTEE
SUBCOMMITTEE OF P & Z
MINUTES
April 20, 2009**

Present
Frank Abetti
Kevin Lyden

Absent
Gloria Fogarty
Sue Spang

Committee Chairs

Present
Linda Schroeder
Bill Schultz
Larry Reitz
Sally Snyder

Absent
Dana Abetti
Jim Fogarty

Guests
Bob Ross

F. Abetti called the meeting to order at 7:34

Public Comment
None

Additions to the Agenda
None

Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve minutes of April 6, 2009.
M/S/C Lyden/Abetti

Sally Snyder was introduced by Frank; and welcomed by the group. Sally is a member of the Inland Wetlands Committee and will now be taking over as leader of the Natural Resources section of the POCD.

Bill Schultz brought up the issue of a Historical District in Salem. There seems to be confusion if one exists or not. Bill has the National Register # 80004063 and will investigate this issue further.

Frank reviewed necessary items regarding issues, elements and questions. The issue of scope was discussed with regard to elements, specifically whether the POCD should be restricted to land use topics, or address the broader needs of the municipality, such as social services, education, health and public protection, as indicated in the Sec. 8-23 (2) (c) of the State Statutes.

It is expected that as each "Elements" template is reviewed by the Committee, a clear picture of the scope of the POCD scope will emerge, and any critical omissions will be identified.

The group continued with the review of Infrastructure, offering Kevin constructive comments in regards to issues and elements.

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Motion to adjourn at 9:05 pm.
M/S/C Reitz/Schultz.

Respectfully Submitted

Kevin Lyden

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FAQ, National Register of Historic Places. <http://www.nps.gov/history/nr/>

If my private property, such as my home, is listed in the State Register and the National Register, am I restricted in what I can do with the property?

No.

Am I required to restore or preserve my property if it is listed in the State Register and the National Register?

No. Of course, because the property is historically significant, you are encouraged to preserve it.

Do I automatically receive funds or other financial assistance when my property is listed in the registers?

No. However, an owner of a listed property is eligible to apply for [state](#) or [federal](#) income tax credits for the rehabilitation of historic property.

Is the property protected from demolition because it is listed in the registers?

No. Listing a property in the registers does not automatically protect it from demolition (or other alterations). However, listing a property in the registers does "trigger" state and federal preservation laws that require federal, state and local government agencies to take into consideration the effect of their plans or projects on such listed properties.

What are the benefits of having a property listed in the National Register and the State Register?

The principal benefit is the knowledge that you are helping to preserve your local, state and national heritage. To assist you, the state and federal governments provide a number of more tangible benefits: eligibility for state and federal income tax credits for rehabilitating historic properties; eligibility for federal grants, when available; consideration in the planning of federally assisted and state assisted projects, as well as projects of local governments and school boards, when those projects affect the property; eligibility to use the state's Historic Building Code, which may facilitate rehabilitation; qualification for state and federal charitable income tax deductions for the donation of historic preservation easements; and eligibility for official State Register of Historic Places plaques.

What are the disadvantages of having a property listed in the National Register and State Register?

Listing a property in the registers does not impose restrictions on the private property owner. The private owner is free to sell, alter or demolish the property. Of course, if the property owner is utilizing any public federal or state funding or assistance, the proposed projects are reviewed to ensure that historic values of the property are taken into consideration.