

**Town of Effingham, New Hampshire  
Historic District Commission**

**Public Hearing Minutes  
July 13, 2015**

Present: P. Potter (Chair), E. Chick (Assistant Chair), E. Jones (Secretary), N. Potter, H. Spencer (Selectmen's Representative)

Absent: None.

The public hearing was called to order by the Chair at 7:19 p.m. There were two members of the public present.

The applicant, Jennifer Murphy, was identified by the Chair. The Secretary reported on the application, reading out the details of the proposed work and noting how public and personal notice was provided.

The Chair invited the applicant to present any additional information relative to her application and proposed work that was not included in the application as reviewed. The applicant had no additional information to provide.

The Chair invited members of the public present to make comments, explaining that those wishing to comment should identify themselves by giving their name and street address. There were no members of the public who wished to comment.

The Chair closed the public comments period of the hearing and the Commission began deliberations on the application.

The Secretary noted that the application indicated that the lean-to for the existing barn would be covered with board & batten siding and that Section A, Part 2 of the Historic District Regulations requires either wooden shingles or wood clapboards be utilized for siding, whereas Board & batten is only permitted on detached outbuildings. However, he also noted that the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for historic properties note in part that any additions to a structure should be easily identified so as not to be confused with original portions of the building.

Due to this fact, and his opinion that the overall visual impact of board & batten versus shingles or clapboards would be slight, the Secretary moved that board & batten siding be allowed in this case. Seconded by N. Potter. Passed and carried.

A motion to approve the application as presented was made by the Secretary. Seconded by N. Potter. Passed and carried.

The public hearing was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erik Jones  
Secretary