

Town of Southeast  
**Historic Sites Commission Meeting**  
April 7, 2005, 7 PM  
Town Hall, 1 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509  
**Minutes**

In attendance: Kathleen Abels, Michelle Powers

Update on Historic Plaque Program: Amy Campanero, Director of the Southeast Museum, presented information on this program:

- Brewster Rotary is providing funding.
- The signs will be made of cast aluminum and cost approx. \$300.00 each.
- The Southeast Museum will provide guidelines as to what constitutes a historic site.
- Launch Date is June 1.
- Historic Sites Commission to endorse the program and to funnel recommendations concerning historic sites to the Southeast Museum.

Updated Historic Sites Local Law

Resolution Adopting Local Law to Amend Chapter 83 of the Town Code was adopted November 18, 2004. Historic Sites Commission was advised of this in a Memo from the Supervisor dated February 17, 2005. Chapter 83 of the Code of the Town of Southeast is now titled "Historic Sites and Historic Districts." The amended Chapter 83 of the Town Code was distributed, read & discussed.

The commission has concerns about the revisions as follows:

- Local Historic Sites list appears to have omitted several local historic buildings, including but not exclusive of Drewsclift, the Fowler Homestead, the Edith Diehl House Fanny Crosby's house, etc.
- The list appears to have included Rocky Dell Farm barn(s), which the commission had previously recommended should not be considered a historic structure.
- Powers and Duties of Commission: How is the commission to maintain the character of historic sites and districts and how is it to regulate and control the construction of new buildings, etc.?
- What is the procedure to apply for a Certificate of Appropriateness?
- Have the owners of record of designated historic sites been notified and how does such designation impact re-sale of said properties?
- The commission will contact the Town Supervisor to address that issues

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen D. Abels

