

Rye Historic District

Information



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Fellow Residents of Rye,

The following overview of the origin, scope, duties and powers of the Historic District Commission allows the citizens of Rye to understand the caretaker role of this Commission. Diligence on the part of the HDC provides an added measure of assurance that the traditional appearance of our historic Center of Rye and other historic sites within the town will be protected and maintained.

Priscilla Jenness, Chairperson
Joseph Mills, Vice Chairman
Craig Musselman, Selectman

Welcome to the Rye Historic District

In 1966, the Historic District was created by a vote of the town residents. The Selectmen were also authorized to appoint a seven member Historic District Commission. There are three alternates on the Commission.

The Historic District Commission continues to be committed to:

**Promoting the preservation and maintenance of the properties within the District.
Insuring that new construction and alterations are in harmony with the District
Reviewing new use of land or buildings within the District.**

Any visual modifications, improvements, or other changes must come before the Commission.

**Copies of “Application for Certificate of Approval” (HDC) are available from the Office of the Building Inspector/Code Office in the Town hall.
In most cases a standard Building Permit is required in addition to HDC approval.**

Included in the Rye Historic District:

Rye Center- extending from the War Memorial at the Intersection of Washington and Central Roads to the Grange Park at the Intersection of Washington and Wallis Roads and within 500 feet of either side of the center of Washington Road.

The Cable House (1874) 20 Old Beach Rd. Terminal for the First Trans-Atlantic Cable in the United States

Brackett Massacre site (1691) 605 Brackett Road

**Isles of Shoals - Annexed to Rye by Legislation in 1876
(Lunging, Star, White Islands)**

Rye’s historic town center and the other sections of the districts are precious community resources and a haven from development and growth altering the entire seacoast area. Historic areas are fragile environments. We hope you will actively participate in effort to preserve and enhance the historic districts.

Meetings of the Historic District Commission are held as needed.

All meetings are posted at the Town Hall, Library and Town website. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Town of Rye PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Peter Rowell
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Rye Historic District
10 Central Road
Rye, NH 03870

August 16, 2012

To the Historic District;

Although there may be situations where the Building Department does not require a building permit, the property owner is still responsible to obtain permission from the Rye Historic District (HDC) prior to conducting work in the district, affecting the exterior appearance of the property.

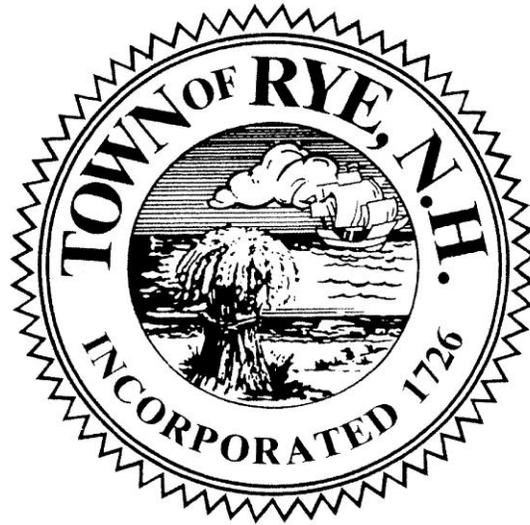
Under Rye Zoning Ordinance, Article 111, Section 303.4, it states that “Any person wishing to construct, alter, repair, move, demolish, or otherwise change the exterior appearance of a structure within the HDS...must obtain a certificate of approval from the Historic District Commission”. Please review Article 11, Section 303.2. Purposes to identify that the HDC is responsible for preserving the “visual harmony” of the district.

There are situations where a building permit will not be required. However, since I am responsible for enforcing the zoning regulations, please contact me if you are concerned about a particular property where work is being performed (whether or not a building permit is required). I will then contact them and require they obtain a certificate of approval from the HDC. I will issue a cease and desist, if they are not cooperative.

I hope this clarifies any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Peter Rowell
Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer



TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

ZONING ORDINANCE

Approved March 2001

Amendments through March 2012

SECTION 303 HISTORIC DISTRICT (Adopted 3/14/78, Amended 3/11/08)

303.1 Definition of District: The Rye historic District is defined as that area from the west end of Grange Park to the intersection of Central and Washington Roads within five (500) feet on either side of the centerline of Washington Road. Also included in the Rye Historic District are the State of New Hampshire Isles of Shoals and the Brackett Road Massacre Site and the historic Cable house located at 20 Old Beach Road.

303.2 PURPOSES: The purposes of the Historic District are to preserve for generations to come the unique collections of historically, architecturally and culturally significant buildings and structures which characterize the Town of Rye, New Hampshire, to encourage their maintenance and restoration, and to insure that new buildings and structures and alterations to existing buildings and structures, and uses of buildings and structures within the District are in visual harmony with their neighbors that a district be preserved which will reflect the cultural, social, economic, political, and architectural history of the Town of Rye, New Hampshire, conserve and maintain property values in such District, foster civic beauty, strengthen the local economy, and generally provide an opportunity to benefit the education, pleasure and welfare of all the citizens of the municipality.

303.3 General Description of District: The Rye Historic District is predominately composed of Pre-Revolutionary, Federal and Victorian, residential, commercial and municipal structures dating from 1724. Typically, the facades of the buildings average forty (40) feet wide, and between 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 stories high. The average street frontage of a building lot is seventy-five (75) feet; the average setback is ten to fifteen feet from the edge of the street right-of-way.

The average percentage of openings (doors, windows, etc,) as a percentage of the facade is 25 to 40 percent: the usual construction materials and surface treatment is wood clapboards; the usual roof shape is peaked: the usual architectural details are Pre-Revolutionary: and the usual landscaping/ground covers are, shrubs, and trees. A detailed inventory of the buildings and structures of the District is on file with the Town Clerk and Tax Collector. Copies are available at the Public Library and from the Historic District Commission. (Amended 2008)

303.4 Certificates of Approval: Any person wishing to construct, alter, repair, move, demolish, or otherwise change the exterior appearance of a structure within the District or construct a new structure within the District or institute a new use of land or buildings within the District must obtain a Certificate of Approval from the historic District Commission before any other building permits otherwise required

by the Town are obtained. However, if the action is a repair where like materials are replacing like materials, only notification of the Historic District Commission is required. When this case applies, the Building Inspector's Office will send a copy of the building permit to the Historic District Commission. (rev. 1997, 2008)

A. Application Procedure:

1. Application for Certificates of Approval is available from the Building Inspector.
2. Applications for a Certificate of Approval shall show:
 - a. Ownership and description of land involved (areas and addresses).
 - b. Ownership and description of buildings involved.
 - c. Names and addresses of abutting property owners and those directly across the street.
 - d. A description of the work proposed to be done, which should include, as appropriate, a sketch of the site and the buildings located on the site drawn to scale, and photographs, sketches, architect's renderings or plans, and/or other visual aids. The description shall contain detailed dimensions when any structural features are to be altered or a new building constructed, or when otherwise requested by the Commission.
3. Upon receipt of a completed application form, the Historic District Commission will normally within fifteen (15) days:
 - a. Determine that the application is of no interest and notify the applicant in writing that he may proceed; or
 - b. Determine that the application is of interest and schedule a public hearing. (Amended 2008)

B. Public Hearings:

1. Notice of public hearings shall be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town, shall be posted in at least two (2) public places, and shall be sent by certified mail to abutting property owners and those owning property directly across the street, at least five (5) days in advance. (Rev. 1998).

2. Public hearings shall be open to the general public and testimony may be received from any party.

C. Decisions by Historic District Commission:

1. Certificates of Approval or Notices of Disapproval shall be issued within forty-five (45) days of the filing of an application, unless the applicant agrees to a longer period.
2. Decisions of the Historic District Commission shall be made in accord with the guidelines for decisions in S 303.5
3. Failure to issue the certificate within the specified period of time shall constitute approval by the commission. (Amended 2008).
4. Decisions of the Historic District Commission shall be appealable to the Board of Adjustment.

D. Enforcement: No building permit shall be issued until a Certificate of Approval has been filed with the Building Inspector; but in the case of disapproval, disapproval shall be binding upon the Building Inspector or other duly delegated authority, and no permit be issued. Otherwise, enforcement shall be provided by NH RSA 674:49 and Section 803 of the Rye Zoning Ordinance.

303.5 Guidelines for Decisions Appropriateness: The following principles shall be followed in the granting of a Certificate of Approval within the Historic District.

- A.** If the proposed construction will not have any visible impact on the exterior of the Building or structure, it shall be deemed of no interest.
- B.** Routine repair to existing structures not involving any other exterior changes shall be deemed of no interest.
- C.** When determining the appropriateness of all other alterations, restorations, or remodeling of existing structures or sites, the following criteria will be appropriate, in which case the applicant shall state the criteria he is using and the Commission shall decide accordingly.

1. Structures or sites of importance because of a moment in history, be it the date of occupancy by a celebrated personage, or the happening of an event, should be altered only so as to be more in conformity with the appearance at that moment in time.

2. Structures or sites of importance because of their date of construction should be altered to restore features of their original appearance, unless the structure has been altered at some later time and that alteration is in keeping with the character of the District, or is notable in its own right, in which case as an alternative, such altered appearance shall be maintained.

3. Structures or sites which are important in the history of architecture as unique or exceptionally fine examples of their style should be altered only so as to retain their original appearance.

4. Structures or sites which are important in the history of architecture should be in a fashion of that age or style, and in keeping with the character of the District.
5. The Commission shall have the power to review the architectural treatment of the exterior features and finish of structures.

D. New structures and buildings and those being moved into the District from outside the District must conform in general size and scale, but need not conform in precise architectural style to the existing structures within the District. Such a structure must meet the Zoning requirements of the Town in the following specifications:

1. Overall height and width.
2. Street frontage.
3. Set back from the street.
4. Number of stories.
5. In addition, it shall conform to the general style of the District by being similar to neighboring structures in all of the following six criteria: (Rev. 1997, 2008)
 - a. Openings within the façade as a percentage of the façade, i.e., doors and windows.
 - b. Similarity of construction materials and surface texture, i.e., rough, smooth, wood, brick, etc.
 - c. Similarity of roofs, i.e., slopes and shapes.
 - d. Similarity of architectural details, i.e., cornices, lintels, arches, porches, balustrades, wrought iron work, chimneys, etc.
 - e. Similarity of landscaping and ground covering, i.e., grass, brick, granite, etc.
 - f. Similarity of colors to existing structures.

E. Before a building or other structure is demolished or moved out of the District, the applicant shall in good faith prepare a detailed plan for the re-use of the site which the Commission determines will meet the requirements for a Certificate of Approval. Such Certificate of Approval for demolition and re-use shall be granted upon a showing by the applicant that to deny such Certificate would result in a hardship unique to the property in question and that such a hardship is not common to neighboring properties within the District.

F. Signs (Adopted 1997, Amended 2008)

1. The goals and objectives of the Rye Historic District Commission in reviewing and approving applications for signs within the historic District or considering requests for exceptions are:

- a. To insure that the visual impact of all signs is consistent with the historical and architectural characteristics of the Historic District.
 - b. To maintain the Rural Character of Rye.
 - c. To assure safe use of public ways by pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists.
 - d. To promote the general visual attractiveness of the Historic District.
2. Size: No sign in the Historic District may be larger than eight (8) square feet except temporary signs announcing events which may be no larger than sixteen (16) square feet and these may be displayed not more than fourteen days before an event and must be removed within one (1) day following an event. 'Service by signs', i.e., advertising signs such as Painting by...Roofing by...etc., are not permitted in the Historic District. (Rev. 2008)
 3. Number of signs/lot – Each lot in the Historical District shall have no more than one (1) sign and one (1) off premises business directional sign. A maximum of two (2) additional on-premises business directional signs are permitted per lot. In the case of multiple occupancies, the building owner is responsible for a single overall signage plan providing multiple listings within the specification.
 4. Materials – Materials appropriate to the Historic District such as wood, brass, glass, or wrought iron will be permitted. Banners may be of cloth or soft vinyl. Signs may use two or three colors plus white and should blend in color scheme with the structure with which they are associated. Traditional styles of fonts shall be used for lettering.
 5. Illumination – In addition to the criteria of Section 501.4, the source of a sign's illumination shall not be visible from any residence and shall not interfere with the vision of drivers on public streets.
 6. Trademarks and Product Names – These are to be discouraged on permanent signs in favor of names of proprietors, business owners, and business names. No Trademarks, Sales Marks, Product Names, or other commercial advertising may appear on temporary signs announcing events. This is not to preclude temporary product or food.

G. Exceptions to the above, based on hardship, may be considered and granted by the Commission. (Re-indexed 1997, 2007)

1966 REPRINT
TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L.S.)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rye in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

And to the Inhabitants of the School District in said Town of Rye, qualified to vote upon District Affairs, for the limited purpose of electing officers of the Rye School District at the annual Town Meeting, in accordance with procedures authorized by statute (RSA 192.1 a et, seq.) and adopted by the District at its March, 1962 Annual Meeting under Article 2 of that warrant.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Rye on Tuesday the eighth day of March, next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to vote upon the following subject:
Article 16. On Petition of Elizabeth A. Greene and nine others:

To see if the Town will vote to create an Historic District whose boundaries shall be those of the Central Village District as shown in the proposed zoning map prepared by the Rye Planning Board and submitted to the 1966 Town Meeting: and to create a seven member Historic District Commission: and to

Further authorize the Selectmen to appoint members to this Commission as provided in Chapter 178 of the New Hampshire Laws of 1963. Said Historic District and Historic District Commission shall have all the powers and duties established by Chapter 178 of the New Hampshire Laws of 1963.

Given under our hands and seal, this seventeenth day of February in the year of our Lord Nineteen hundred and sixty-six.

ROBERT B. GOSS.
EDWARD L. GREENS.
RALPH F. HAMMOND.
Selectmen of Rye

A true copy of Warrant-Attest:

RESULTS OF

March 1966 Town Meeting

Art. 16 passed with an amendment to change 'the 1966' in the 4th line to 'a 1966'.

**1978
TOWN WARRANT**

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L.S.)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rye in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Rye on Tuesday the fourteenth day of March, next at nine o'clock in the forenoon to vote upon the following subjects:

Ballot Voting

Article 4. To amend the Zoning Map relating to the addition of the Isles of Shoals and the Brackett Massacre Site to the Historic District.

Yes – 923

No - 213

**1979
TOWN WARRANT**

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L.S.)

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Rye in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall in said Rye on Tuesday the thirteenth of March, next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to vote upon the following subjects:

Ballot Voting

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Rye Historic District Ordinance, Section 11, District Boundaries, third paragraph, by adding the words "and the Historic District Cable House located at 20 Old Beach Road".

Article 5. To amend the Rye Historic District Ordinance by adding the Cable House located at 20 Old Beach Rd. to the Historic District.

Yes – 822

No - 167

New Hampshire Statutes

Title 64. PLANNING AND ZONING

§ 673: 4. Historic District Commission

- I. The Historic District Commission shall consist of not less than 3 members and no more than 7 members who shall be appointed in a manner as prescribed by the local legislative body.
- II. Each Historic District Commission member shall be a resident of the city or Town which establishes the District. One commission member shall be a member of the local governing body and one commission member may be a member of the planning board. Not more than 5 alternate members may be appointed. When an alternate sits in absence or disqualification of a regular member, the alternate shall have full voting powers. In determining each member's qualifications, the appointing authority shall take into consideration the appointee's demonstrated interest and ability to understand, appreciate and promote the purposes of the Historic District Commission.
- III. Members of a Historic District Commission also may serve on other municipal boards and commissions, including but not limited to a conservation commission established under RSA 36-A, and a heritage commission established under RSA 673:4-a.

Cite as NHRS 673:4

Note:

1983, 447:1 1995, 138:3, eff. July 23, 1995.

§ 673:4-a Heritage Commissions

- I. The Heritage Commission shall consist of not less than 3 members and no more than 7 members who shall be appointed in a manner as prescribed by the local legislative body.
- II. Each Heritage Commission member shall be a resident of the city or town which establishes the Commission, One Commission member shall be a member of the local governing body. One Commission member may be a member of the planning board. Not more than 5 alternate members may be appointed. When an alternate sits in absence or disqualification of a regular member, the alternate shall have full voting powers. If there is a Historic District Commission, one member of this commission shall be an ex officio member of the Heritage Commission. In determining each member's qualifications, the appointing authority shall take into consideration the appointee's demonstrated interest and ability to understand, appreciate and promote the purpose of the Heritage Commission.
- III. Members of a Heritage Commission also may serve on other municipal boards and commissions, including but not limited to a conservation commission established under RSA 36-A, and a historic district commission established under RSA 673:4.

Cite as NHRS 673:4-a

Note:

1992, 64:6. 1995, 138:4, eff. July 23, 1995.

§ 674:45. Purposes

The preservation of cultural resources and particularly of structures and places of historic, architectural and community value is hereby declared to be a public purpose. The heritage of the municipality will be safeguarded by:

- I. Preserving districts in the municipality which reflect elements of its cultural, social, economic, political, community and architectural history;
- II. Conserving property values in such districts;
- III. Fostering civic beauty.
- IV. Strengthening the local economy; and
- V Promoting the use of historic districts for the education, pleasure and welfare of the citizens of the municipality.

Cite as NHRS 674:45

Note:

1983, 447:1. 1992, 64:13,14. Eff. June 19, 1992.

§ 674:46. Authority Granted

For the purpose of this subdivision, the local legislative body of any city, town, or county in which there are located unincorporated towns or unorganized places shall have the authority, by ordinance, to establish, change, lay out and define historic districts. Within the district, the municipality is empowered to regulate the construction, alteration, repair, moving, demolition or use of such structures and places.

Cite as NHRS 674:46

Note:

1983, 447:1, 1985, 103:22. 1989, 266:21, eff. July 1, 1989.

§ 674:46-a. Powers and Duties of the Historic District Commission

- I. For the purpose of establishing a legal basis for the district, the Historic District Commission may perform research and prepare the content of the historic district ordinance prior to its adoption or amendment as provided in RSA 675:2. In cases in which a municipality chooses to have both a heritage commission and a historic district commission, the historic district commission may request assistance from the heritage commission in performing research and preparing the content of the historic district ordinance.
- II. The historic district commission may adopt and amend regulations in the manor provided in RSA 675:6.
- III. the historic district commission shall be responsible for administering the ordinance and regulations within the historic district as provided in RSA 676:8-10.
- IV. All districts and regulations shall be compatible with the master plan and zoning ordinance of the city, town, or county in which it exist.
- V The historic district commission may assume, if authorized by the local legislative body, the composition and duties of heritage commissions.

Cite as NHRS 674:46-a

Note:

1985, 103:23. 1989, 266:22. 1992, 64:15. 1993, 32:2. Eff. June 7, 1993.

§ 674: 47, Abolition of Historic Districts

I. Except as provided in paragraph II, any district established pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision may be abolished in the following manner: Upon petition of 25 voters, the historic district commission shall hold 2 public hearings at least 15 days apart on the proposal to abolish the historic district, at which hearings citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard. Notice for each public hearing shall be as provided in RSA 675:7. Following the above public hearings, the proposal to abolish a historic district shall be presented for insertion in the warrant of a regular or special town meeting as provided in RSA 39:3. The historic district shall be abolished upon a vote of 2/3 of the members of the local legislative body present and voting.

II. In counties in which there are located unincorporated towns or unorganized places, the local legislative body shall determine the manner in which any district established pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision may be abolished for those unincorporated towns and unorganized places.

Cite as NHRS 674:47

Note:

1983, 447:1. 1989, 266:23, eff. July 1, 1989.

§ 674:48. Interpretation

Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prevent ordinary maintenance or repair of any structure or place within any historic district nor to prevent the construction, alteration, repair, moving or demolition of any structure under a permit issued by the building inspector or other duly delegated authority prior to the establishment of any historic district.

Cite as NHRS674:48

Note:

1983, 447:1, eff. Jan. 1, 1984.

§ 674:50. Remedies for Violations

In case of a violation of any ordinance or regulation made under the authority conferred by this subdivision, the historic district commission, in addition to other remedies, may institute any appropriate action or proceedings to prevent, restrain, correct or abate such violation.

Cite as NHRS 674:50

Note:

1983, 447:1, eff. Jan. 1, 1984.

State of New Hampshire Revised Statutes online

Updated October 7th, 2011

****These RSA's include all changes and updates made during the 2011 legislative session.**

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Pending Legislation

For information pending legislation which may affect these statutes, search the Bill Status Database.

List of Sections Affected (LSA)

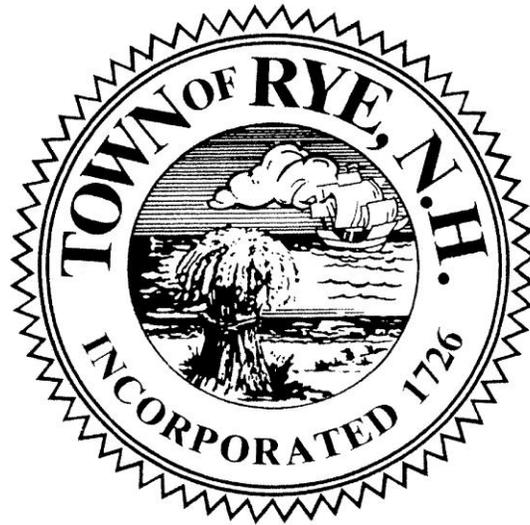
Each year new laws are passed which amend current sections in the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (RSAs), insert new sections, reenact sections or repeal sections. The printed and online versions of the RSAs do not immediately reflect these changes. The LSA identifies all changes made to the Statutes during specific legislative sessions:

- **2011 Legislative Changes, Chapters 1-268**
- **2010 Legislative Changes**
- **2009 Legislative Changes**
- **2008 Legislative Changes**
- **2007 Legislative Changes**
- **2006 Legislative Changes**
- **2005 Legislative Changes**
- **2004 Legislative Changes**

- **2003 Legislative Changes**
- **2002 legislative Changes**
- **2001 Legislative Changes**
- **2000 Legislative Changes**

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TOWN OF RYE, N.H.

Rye Historic District Inventory

2012

HISTORIC DISTRICT INVENTORY 2012

490 Washington Rd.	Hanna, Margaret	16	200	Colonial-Garrison, Cape conversion
500 Washington Rd.	TD Bank	16	201	Colonial-Cape, Commercial
501 Washington Rd.	Rye School District	16	17	Jr. High Georgian
520 Washington Rd.	Werner, Rona F. Rev. Trust	16	20	Colonial, 2 chimney, 2 ½ stories
521 Washington Rd.	McBride, James	16	16	Colonial, 2 ½ stories
540 Washington Rd.	Josephs, Linda S. Rev. Trust	16	203	Colonial, 2 ½ stories
541 Washington Rd.	Johnson, Carl E.	16	8	Cape Cod, 1 ½ stories
546 Washington Rd.	Cronin, Todd	16	204	Colonial 2 ½ stories, 1725
550 Washington Rd.	Orgera, Grace E. Est. Trust	12	45	Ranch
552 Washington Rd.	Rogers, Chas Jr.	12	46	Cape
555 Washington Rd.	Rye, Town of	16	7	Public Safety Bldg 2006
556 Washington Rd.	Chichester, Madeline	12	47	Victorian-Converted store
562 Washington Rd.	Mitchell, John & Mary	12	48	Victorian Gothic 2-Family - 1900
566 Washington Rd.	EHT LLC	12	49	Res. Style comm.. 1 ½ story Tate & Foss/Sotheby RE
570 Washington Rd.	Kent, Daryl T.	12	50	Colonial, 3 Family, 1800
575 Washington R.	Rye, Town of	12	43	Housing Partnership Apts. 1810 bldg. Brick garage Church Steeple (cell tower)
580 Washington Rd.	Nextel Communication, Mid Atlantic Inc.	12	52	
580 Washington Rd.	Rye Congregational Church	12	52	New England Colonial
580 Washington Rd.	Rye. Town of	12	53	Vacant land (used for parking)
581 Washington Rd.	Rye, Town of	12	42	Library, Brick Greek Revival 1911, Modern addition 1996
585 Washington Rd.	Hanna, Wassly & Lynn Trusts	12	41	Victorian, 2 story

595 Washington Rd.	Lingamfeiter. Chas.	11	69	Colonial, 1747 2 ½ story
10 Walker Lane	Struble, Julie A. Rev. Trust	12	51	Cape converted 2011, 2 stories
1 Central Rd.	Pescosolido, AK, & KK Rev Trust	11	73	Simon Goss House-1810
10 Central Rd.	Rye, Town of	12	54	Town Hall, NE Meeting Hall-1835
17 Central Rd.	Barnhorst, Tim M.	12	40	Cape, 1 ½ story
20 Central Rd.	Rye, Town of	12	55	Accessory Bldg. part Cemetery
2 Lang Rd.	Hutchinson, Jane Rev. Trust	16	9	Colonial, 2 stories, converted store
10 Lang Rd.	Johnston, Ian A.	16	10	Gambrel Cape
19 Lang Rd.	Grant, Tim & Susan	16	14	Colonial, Center Chimney, 2 ½ stories
1 Olde Parish	Hordon, Ronald A.	16	5	Ranch
15 Olde Parish	Quinn, Francis X.	16	4	Contemporary Cape
16 Olde Parish	Barber Family Rev Living Trust	16	1	Split level
17 Olde Parish	Murphy, Carolyn F.	16	3	Cape Cod
18 Olde Parish	Hwang, Frank H.	15	9	Cape Cod
20 Old Beach Rd	Kazakis, Alexandra	84	101	CableHouse (Trans-Atlantic 1874) (private owner)
Brackett Rd.	Rye, Town of			Brackett Rd. Massacre burial site-1691 (opposite # 605)

NH Isles of Shoals within Rye Historic District:

Lunging Island	Lunging Island Trust Randall, Ray, Trustee (private owner)	028	002	Cape Cod home. Orig. built 1850, ext. 1977, remodel 2008. Property includes Square Rock Isle
White Island	NH, State of	027	001	Lighthouse, Cape Cod Keeper's cottage 1 ½ stories, covered walkway between, helipad, dock.
Star Island	Star Island Corp.	028	003	25 Buildings, including Oceanic Hotel

(1875), other hotel/motel bldgs. Old stone Chapel, conference bldgs, museum, marine lab. Artist studios, tennis courts, gazebo.

HERITAGE COMMISSION

The Rye Heritage Commission was authorized by the voters in March 2011 (Town Meeting Warrant Article VII) in accordance with RSA 674:44-a and 674:44-b and was established by the Board of Selectmen in July of 2011. The Rye Heritage Commission is established in accordance with RSA 673 for the proper recognition, use, and protection of resources, tangible or intangible, primarily man-made, that are valued for their historic, cultural, aesthetic, or community significance within their natural, built, or cultural contexts. The Commission has advisory and review authority to survey and inventory all cultural resources and to conduct research and publish findings, including reports, to establish basis for a district and preparation of heritage ordinances within the Town prior to adoption or amendment, as provided in RSA 675:6, its advisory functions assisting the Planning Board, as requested, in the development and review of those sections of the Master Plan which address cultural and historic resources. Upon request, the Commission will advise local agencies and other local boards their review of requests on matters affecting or potentially affecting cultural and historic resources. The Heritage Commission will coordinate activities with appropriate service organizations and nonprofit groups. Part of its mission will be to publicize its activities. The Commission may hire consultants and contractors as needed. As part of the effort to document the historic and cultural resources in the Town of Rye, the Commission will sponsor projects to map and record the grave markers and to document houses over 150 years old. The five members of the Heritage Commission are appointed by the Selectmen for staggered three-year terms: There are five alternate positions.

Because the loss of historic and cultural landmarks concerns the citizenry of Rye, any demolition of a property more than 65 years old and 500 square feet requires a demolition permit approved by the Demolition Review Committee. The Demolition Review Committee members are appointed by the Chairman of the Heritage Commission. The application for demolition may be obtained on the Town of Rye website.

RYE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND TOWN MUSEUM

PO Box 583, Rye, NH 03870 10 Olde Parish Rd. Tel. 603- 997 6742:

Museum hours: Sat. 10-1, (May-Oct.), most Wed. Year round, 2-4 and by appt.

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The idea for the Rye Historical Society came from founding member Jessie Herlihy who served with Louise Tallman, Bonnie Goodwin, Ralph Morang 111, Becky Marden et.al. on Rye's American Revolution Bi-Centennial Committee. RHS was the permanent project which emerged from that committee in 1976 and began presenting regular programs for the public, collected and received donations of artifacts, documents, photographs, etc, restored old graveyards, researched old houses, etc. RHS was given storage space in the McDonald Room of the library which has been very supportive of the society from the beginning and whose NH Room today offers excellent research material on Rye. In 1985 RHS honored the town's Bi-centennial with a two day Town Hall event with many loaned and donated exhibits on display. In 1986 the town gave space in the auditorium for museum exhibits which were open to the public on Saturdays.

From 1991 until 2006 Bonnie Goodwin and Alex Herlihy served as co-chairs of the society. In 1997 the town donated to RHS a cape style house adjacent to the library (built c. 1930) which became expendable because of the library expansion. The building was moved a short distance from that site and, with Bonnie Goodwin as supervisor, it was painstakingly restored as a town museum, opening in 2002. Funding to restore the building came from house tours, which the society sponsored from 1976 to 2002, as well as generous donations from people such as Louise and Charles Tallman and the estate of John Adams, a descendant of the Seavey family.

Since 2002 RHS has mounted three exhibits in the museum: first was a generic Rye history collection. In 2005, under a grant from the Tallman family through the Greater Piscataqua Community Fund, the society opened its first professionally created exhibit entitled: "Over a Century by the Sea: the Hotels and Boarding Houses of Rye" which is still on view in the museum. In 2009 a third exhibit was mounted which tells the history of Rye in words and images which recently has been altered to integrate Rye's maritime heritage into the story.

Today RHS continues the work it started in 1976 and has greatly expanded projects including curriculum work with the schools. Membership info: individual \$10, family \$15, business \$50, life \$200; (quarterly E-newsletter, etc.) RHS Board: pres. Alex Herlihy, VP Becky Marden, sec. Chris Remick, treas. Steve Cash, Mike Mittleman, Beth Yeaton, Rich Davis, Sue Reynolds. The museum offers a wealth of artifacts, photos, documents and other printed items for viewing and research. Visit RHS web site for details and visit the museum. The Rye Historical Society welcomes your participation and volunteerism in our projects and tasks relating to the museum.