

Durham Historic Preservation Commission

Minutes of the meeting of 5th November 1989

The meeting was held at the house of Commission member Douglas Thomsen, Rt 82, Oak Hill NY.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fred Militello at 10:20 A.M. Present were members Thomsen, Militello, and Craig Okerstrom-Lang. Absent were members Karen Feldman and David Menken. Also present were Dan Clifton, member of the Steering Committee of the Association for the Preservation of Durham Valley and the Board of the Durham Center Museum, James Garfinkel, of the Association, Carmen Militello, and Sancier Thomsen.

Minutes of the October 28 Meeting were read and approved on motion of Chairman Militello, seconded by Member Thomsen, which motion was unanimously carried.

Chairman Militello then made a motion to nominate Thomsen as Vice-Chairman, which motion was seconded by Lang and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Militello then made a motion to nominate Lang as Secretary, which motion was seconded by Thomsen and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Militello then made a motion to nominate Feldman in absentia as Treasurer, which motion was seconded by Thomsen and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Militello requested that further organizational formalities be deferred to a special meeting to be held at 10 A.M., Sunday November 18th at his house on County Route 20, East Durham NY, and that the balance of the present meeting be devoted to a discussion of proposed Cornwallville Historic District boundaries and the Public Hearing to be held the following week.

Lang showed slides of a number of structures that had been identified as being National Register Eligible by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation as well as other structures in the Cornwallville area that had similar characteristics of age and architectural distinction.

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The discussion of the proposed District boundaries concerned inclusion of the structures declared Eligible, other structures of similar importance, natural features, scenic viewsheds from and of those structures, and the proposed Scenic Roads. Furthermore, it was felt that the district boundaries be easily and unambiguously defined.

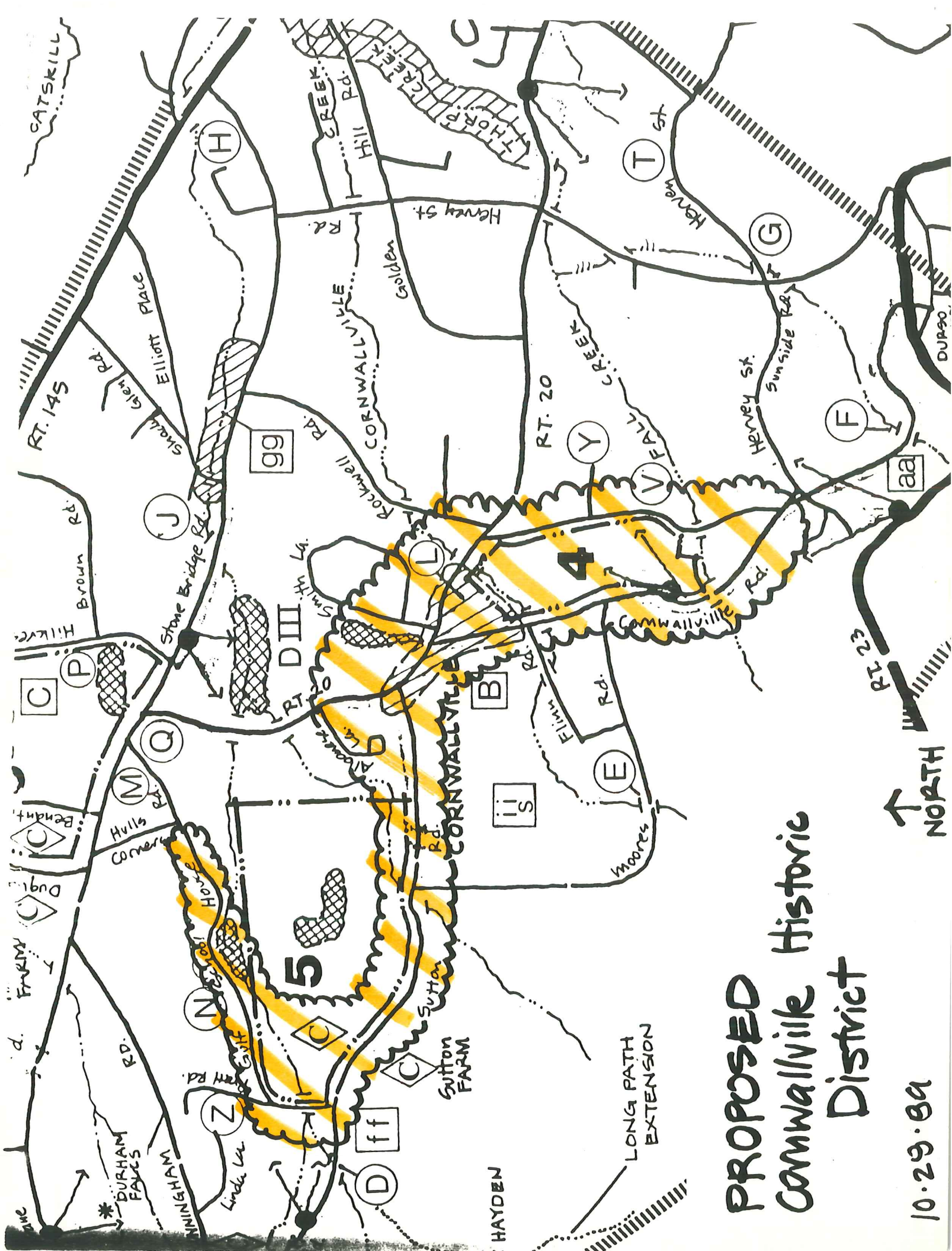
The final boundaries to be proposed for the following week's public hearing were finally defined as being that area within a line drawn 500 feet to the outside of the center line of the roads in the following loop: Starting from the intersection of Strong Road and County Route 20, up Strong Road to Cornwallville Road, down Cornwallville Road back to County Route 20, West along County Route 20 to Sutton Road, up Sutton Road to Gulf School House Road, down Gulf School House Road to County Route 20, along County Route 20 to the Village of Cornwallville, inclusive of Smith Lane in that Village, and back to the base of Strong Road.

Lang said he would draw a map for the meeting the following week so that the boundaries could be easily seen.

Thomsen said he would gather material related the significance of the structures and views in the area to be contained within the district.

Militello said he would have fliers placed in the mailboxes of property owners in the proposed district, post copies of the Historic Preservation Law in local Post offices, put up some posters, and invite members of both the Town Board and the Planning Board to the Public Hearing. He distributed copies of the Notice of Public Hearing that had and will appear in the Daily Mail on November 1, 3, and 10. He also distributed for discussion a proposed agenda for the following week's meeting.

Upon motion to adjourn by Chairman Militello, seconded by Lang, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 A.M.



PROPOSED Cornwallville Historic District

10.29.89



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