

## **HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

The Connecticut General Statutes empower the Historic District Commission to promote the educational, cultural, economic and general welfare of the Town through the preservation and protection of buildings, places and districts of historic interest by the maintenance of such landmarks in the history of architecture and of the Town. The Commission conducts its review of such proposals for properties within the North Cove Historic District.

The Board of Selectmen appoints 5 members and 3 alternates for a term of 5 years each.

During the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the Commission received only 1 application to review for “appropriateness” the erection, alteration, demolition or removal of the exterior architectural features of any principal or accessory building, structure, or other work on properties within the District. Certain activities are exempt from the requirement for a Certificate of Appropriateness, including the color of paint, improvements that are not visible from a public place or the waters, and repairs necessary for health or safety.

The Commission meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall, first floor conference room. Kathleen Noyes of the Land Use Department supports us as our recording clerk. Chris Costa, Zoning Enforcement Officer, who conducts our enforcement activities, is available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon in the Land Use Department of the Town Hall to assist with applications and to answer questions concerning land use in Old Saybrook.

**Randi J. Bradbury**, *Chairman*