Minutes of February 1st meeting of the Shepherdstown Riverfront Revitalization Project

The meeting was held by conference call.

At 10:02 A.M. the meeting was called to order by Chris Niewold of the National Park Service.

Chris explained that the meeting was changed to a conference call because of the ice storm that had been predicted for the area.

The roll call was taken and the following persons were in attendance: Chris Niewold, Howard Mills, Dave Humphreys, Peter Smith, Lois Turco, Gary Heichel, John Loeffler, Dale Walters, Doug Alexander and Kelly Cambrel of the Shepherdstown Chronicle.

Chris indicated that at the last meeting of this group which was held on January 25th individual work groups met with him one by one. It seemed that the next meeting should be one with all work groups present so we could better coordinate next actions. Today's meeting is the result of that decision.

Today all work groups are represented on this call.

Chris offered to go back over all of his notes to date and to compile them in a way that would indicate where we are on our various issues.

He asked that each work team put together a report as to where they are with regard to completion, what they need to move forward and a time estimate as to how long it will take them to complete their work. Chris proposed that that work be completed prior to the next meeting. The group agreed that the next meeting would be held at the train station beginning at 10:00 A.M., Monday, February 14th.

There was a substantial conversation about what email lists were available from the town and from other organizations such as the 250th Anniversary group. Lois and Peter will try to assemble the various lists that are available. Howard will contact the Town Clerk to assist in this.

Dave Humphreys agreed to send around a draft of a one page (two sides) document that we can all use to explain what this effort is all about. This has been discussed before. Its purpose is to avoid confusion when we meet with various groups.

The possibility of obtaining the services of a landscape architect through West Virginia University or the National Park Service was discussed.

Working with the Job Corps people to repair the wall at the Rumsey Monument was discussed.

How to utilize the funds available through a grant that Lois Turco has obtained from the Scenic Byways was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 A.M.