

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Town of Saugerties
Minutes
April 20, 2009

Meeting called to order by the chair at 7:11 pm

Members Present: Barry Benepe, Chairman, Josh Randall, Vice Chairman, Michael Sullivan Smith, Susan Poretz, Myles Putman, Leeane Thornton.

Ex-Officio member: Audrey Klinkenberg

1. Minutes of March 16.

The minutes of the meeting of March 16 were accepted as corrected. Moved by Josh, seconded by Myles. Myles: aye, Josh: aye, Susan: aye, Barry: aye, Michael: aye.

2. Joint Letter of 13 March re Winston Farm Conservation.

Barry received an outline for further consultant work on the Winston Farm Conservation, which Barry will take to a meeting on Wednesday, for the groups involved in the issue. The groups are the Conservation Advisory Committee, Esopus Creek Conservancy, Comprehensive Planning Committee and the Historic Preservation Commission. Oblique views of the Winston Farm can be seen with www.msn.com. Click on 'Maps' on the screen. Michael showed a map of Saugerties from 1765, part of Fran Numrich's collection, from William Cockburn's survey.

3. Stone House Tour.

Barry thanked Susan for the amount of work she has done on the Stone House tour. Susan passed out a summary of what she has been doing. Attached. There will be a party on May 17, provided the tour goes off on Saturday. Myles and Michael were also thanked for their work. The directions are being tweaked. Six houses will be visited tomorrow with the last two to be visited next Saturday. Susan will be on TV 23 on May 3 talking about the Stone House Tour. Michael will be filming the homes for TV 23. Barry will take still shots. Volunteering for the day,

Michael,
Myles, Audrey. Hors'n Around did use the other side of the brochure.

4. Description of East- West/ Niger/ Nigger Road and Carriage Road for future public hearing.

Michael reports that lots 58, 54, 55, 57, of the fourth class of the Kingston Commons contain the road. A copy of the map is included with these minutes, entitled, Winston Farm - 1919 - 1922 Consolidation. We will need the owner's permission to walk the road.

The Carriage Road is harder to map and show. It follows the division line between the town and the village, though the Esopus Bend Conservancy. The sub-division is Windemere Highlands, map filed in 1955. The road begins to the right of the cul-de-sac on Kalina Drive to the edge of the Esopus. Some of the land is owned by the Esopus Creek Conservancy and it is a public access. ECC calls it an intermediate trail on its maps. Barry, Myles and Michael will walk the road beginning at the cul-de-sac on Kalina Drive at 2 pm on April 26th.

5. More photo documentation of deteriorating condition of Jeremiah Russell Turnpike House.

Barry passed around pictures of the Jeremiah Russell Turnpike House showing the deteriorating condition. Barry will get in touch with the owner this week.

6. Discuss further documentation necessary for designation of Blue Mountain Crossroad Historic District.

Barry distributed a map and a listing of the owners or the properties in the district. Eight properties each member. Initial information has already been distributed by Josh. Myles distributed a listing of the filed maps for Saugerties at the Ulster County Clerk's Office. The survey of the properties will be done during the summer.

7. Other Old Business.

Cockburn Snyder House. We need to get in touch with the family again. Mr. Joseph Sauer has to be involved because of the barn next to the property.

8. Other New Business.

Christian Myer house should be designated as soon as possible. Barry distributed the information on the listing of members and their qualifications.

The committee thanks LeeAnne Thornton for providing refreshments for the meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 pm

Audrey Klinkenberg Secretary