

Historic Preservation Commission
November 18, 2013
Building Department lunch room
Minutes

Present: Michael Sullivan Smith, Barry Benepe, Stephen Shafer, Josh Randall, Susan Puretz.

Absent: Jimmy Bruno excused to attend Town Board Budget meeting.

Secretary: Audrey Klinkenberg, Town Historian, Deputy County Historian.

Meeting called to order by the chair, Michael Sullivan Smith at 7:10.

Motion made by Josh, and seconded by Stephen that the minutes of the October meeting be approved as presented. Susan, aye; Barry, aye; Steven, aye; Josh, aye; Michael, aye. Unanimously carried.

Discussion of the budget. Background; The Historic Preservation Commission receives a line item amount, which is either spent or zeroed out each year. The money realized from the Stone House Tour is carried over from year to year as per Jimmy Bruno and Gary Newkirk.

Josh moved that the Historic Preservation secretary's salary be on par with other secretaries paid by the Town of Saugerties, such as the planning board secretary, beginning January 1, 2014. Seconded by Barry. Susan, aye; Barry, aye; Steven, aye; Josh, aye; Michael, aye. Unanimously carried.

The Commission had a visit from Supervisor Kelly Myers, who told us that the Budget for 2014 will include \$1,500 for the Historic Preservation Commission. When Jimmy Bruno came in he confirmed that Stone House Tour money is carried over.

Discussion about the upcoming survey of historic buildings. Josh read from his notes on the properties which are designated within the town of Saugerties. The New York Preservation League gave the grant for the 2005 survey. Barry asked about the cost of the work and the request for proposal, written by the organization, which delineates the work required. That request for proposal can be sent to several professionals for bids. Larsen and Fisher, located in Woodstock, does this type of work.

Josh moved that Michael speak with Richard Frisbee and that they contact Neil Larsen and Jill Fisher to discuss the joint town and village resource survey. Seconded by Michael. The town of Saugerties would be the lead agent. Discussion ensued. Barry spoke of the objectives of the survey, which should include barns and industrial sites. Susan, aye; Barry, aye; Steven, aye; Josh, aye; Michael, aye. Unanimous

The recent New Paltz survey of historic properties included every property over 50 years old. The Saugerties survey of 2005 did not do that. It would be hoped that this new survey would look at every property over 50 years old.

Susan Puretz, whose term is about to expire, agreed to accept re-appointment to the Commission for a term of 4 years.

Since all business was finished, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p. m.

Audrey Klinkenberg
Secretary