

Historic Preservation Commission
June 17, 2013
Building Department Conference Room
Minutes

Present: Michael Sullivan Smith, chair, Josh Randall, Steven Shafer, Susan Puretz, Barry Benepe

Secretary: Audrey Klinkenberg, Town Historian, Associate County Historian

Liaison: Jimmy Bruno, Deputy Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 7:06.

Approval of minutes of May meeting. Michael distributed the minutes, Moved by Josh and seconded by Steven that the minutes be approved as presented. Michael, aye; Susan, aye; Steven, aye; Barry, aye; Josh, aye. Unanimous.

Answers to Susan's concerns on Commission budget and tour carryover. Susan requested that Jimmy get information about the budget and the carry over money from last year.

Discussion of priorities of the Commission:

Outreach opportunities through media and organizations. Michael spoke Anastasia Redmond of Lighthouse TV 23, which has gone live on the internet, <http://lighthouse.tv.peg.tv>. Michael would like to use this new technology to spread the news that the boards and committees are doing productive work within their venue. There is a cost of \$3000.00 per year for the technology. Michael would like to challenge the Commission dedicate 10% of our budget for promotions, going to support the \$3000.00 budget. The Commission would be promoting the guidelines and significant landmarks and verifying information about the history of this town. The Historic Preservation Commission would get their name on the Play List, where there would be found information as mentioned above. Michael has already completed 3 short films. Josh moved that 10% of the current (2013) budgeted amount allocated from the town to the Commission (\$500.00 or 10% of the budget, whichever is less) be used to maintain a presence on Lighthouse 23 internet to promote historic preservation with video clips. Seconded by Steven. It was suggested by Susan that a letter be sent to the various committees, boards and Commissions of the town, informing them of the resolution of the Historic Preservation Commission. Michael will write the letter. Michael will also discuss the drop down menu and play list with Anastasia of Lighthouse TV 23. Josh called the question. Michael, aye; Susan, aye; Steven, aye; Barry, aye; Josh, aye. Unanimous.

New Paltz as a model for a new village/town survey update (Neil Larsen). Michael asked if anyone had looked at the online survey for New Paltz. The response was "No". Josh mentioned that he had read the information from Ossining, about the Facades. Neil Larson did the survey for New Paltz, he also did Opus 40 and the Loerzel Brewery. Julian Adams suggested that surveys should be updated every five (5) years in order to be accurate. Michael was asked if the Commission needs to update the survey. Michael responded that if it needed to be done, the Commission would be funded. Susan asked Michael to get in touch with Julian Adams to get clarification as to whether we need to update our survey. Josh suggests that the survey be done jointly between the town and village to be used for tourism and economic development, as well as historic preservation.

Michael showed some pages in the book by David L. Ames and Linda Flint Mc Clelland, Historic Preservation Bulletin.

Review of Lamb Collection as an historic survey of subdivision planning (It's going on 50 years for our Barclay Heights, etc. Is there any significance historically? The National Register had a bulletin out eleven years ago already on suburbs.)

New business: Susan asked about the process for changing the name of the home as requested by Mrs. Gentile.

Barbara Gentile could be asked whether she would be willing to propose designation of that house as a historic site. Josh says that it is a good example of a bank house.

Josh reported that the Town of Marbletown is in the process of putting together a fee schedule for applications for historic landmark. He distributed Local Law of 2011, but is up for vote this year. There is a historic house tour in Marbletown on the 22nd.

Old business: Josh asked whether the Commission has heard anything from Opus 40. The response was, "no". Ars Choralis will be performing there this coming weekend. Steven was there three weeks ago and stated that the grounds look very nice. Josh believes that something should be done. The letter was sent on April 26, 2013. Susan suggested that Michael send a follow up note or email requesting the pictures and a response to our letter.

Barry has volunteered to bring the summary of the actions of the Commission up to date. Josh stated that he has started to do this already.

Barry also raised the item whether the Commission should put the guidelines on paper. Josh stated that the guidelines have to be completed first. Michael stated that the part that is not done is the village part. Barry suggests that the guidelines be a part of the next meeting's agenda.

Motion by Barry for adjournment, seconded by Michael. Unanimous.

Adjournment at 9:05 pm

Audrey Klinkenberg

Secretary