

Historic Preservation Commission
March 18, 2013
7:00 pm, Building Dept. Conference Room
Minutes

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

Excused: Susan Puretz

Liaison: Jimmy Bruno, Deputy Town Supervisor

Secretary: Audrey Klinkenberg, Town of Saugerties Historian, Associate County Historian

The meeting was called to order by the chairman at 7:06 pm.

It was moved by Josh and seconded by Stephen that the minutes of February meeting are approved as presented. Michael, aye; Stephen, aye; Barry, aye; Josh, aye. Unanimous.

Josh moved that Michael Sullivan Smith continue as chair of the Historic Preservation Commission, seconded by Stephen. Stephen, aye; Barry, aye; Josh, aye. Unanimous.

Michael moved that Josh continue as vice chairman, seconded by Barry. Stephen, aye; Barry aye; Barry, aye. Unanimous.

Richard Frisbie had asked Michael to discuss mutual issues between the Village Historic Review Board and the Town Historic Preservation Commission at this meeting. Richard was unable to attend. Michael reported that there are wet land delineation tags along the creek behind Clovelea. There was a great deal of discussion on recent designation issues in the Village.

Consultant request re: Sachs Lodge Road stone bridge. Michael looked at the culvert this morning. The road has been paved and leveled. Moved by Josh, that Michael consult with the highway Department and or FEMA on the reconstruction of the Sachs Road Bridge, Seconded by Barry. Michael, aye; Stephen, aye; Barry, aye; Josh, aye. Unanimous.

Involvement in Opus 40 wall collapse rebuild? Opus 40 is doing a campaign to raise money for the repair of the collapse. Josh states that the Opus 40 needs to present a certificate of appropriateness. Barry disagrees, believing that it is only a repair. Michael has already made offer of some persons who are local and would be willing to take a look at the property.

Susan's report on grant/no grant for tour brochure. Michael reported that Susan and the

committee are still debating whether to try for a grant.

Discussion of requests before the town board (consolidation; room). Jimmy said that the village board needs to be agreeable to a consolidation between the Historic Review Board and the Historic Preservation Commission. If it is determined that the Village Board is agreeable, discussion can continue. Michael stated that the Review Board wants to merge is because they do not have any power to write letters or speak with owners. The building department head is the administrator for the decisions of the Historic Review Board.

Michael spoke with Greg Chorvas, who said he has no directive from the Town Board to begin the process of constructing the room.

CLG report. The report asks for the difficulties the Commission has had.

New business: none

Old business: none

Meeting adjourned at 8:40.

Audrey Klinkenberg