

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
October 21, 2013  
Town Building Department Conference Room  
7:00 PM

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

Town Board Liaison: Jimmy Bruno

Secretary: Audrey Klinkenberg, Town Historian, Deputy County Historian

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 7:10.

1. Approval of the September 16, 2013 meeting minutes. Moved by Josh and seconded by Michael that the minutes be approved as presented. Michael, aye; Susan, aye; Josh, aye; Barry, abstain; Stephen, aye. 4 ayes, 1 abstention. Passed.

2. Susan's review of Heritage Week presentation for the Saugerties Times. Susan has written an article for The Saugerties Times about the presentation. Discussion of the October 14 meeting, held for Heritage Week ensued. Josh moved that the Commission utilize the good will established through the Heritage Week Presentation to push for combining the efforts of preservation by the Historic Preservation Commission and the Village Historic Review Board in some organized and recognized fashion. Seconded by Susan. Michael, aye; Susan, aye; Josh, aye; Barry, aye; Stephen, aye. Unanimous.

3. Discussion of prospects of funding a survey with Larsen Fisher Association. Michael reported that he went to a discussion with Bill Krattinger who is involved in the National Register for New York State. He found out that there is money for sacred spaces and because this survey must be done by a professional, Neil Larsen has worked in New Paltz doing a survey. Michael feels he has done a wonderful job there and he would like to see this company do the survey in Saugerties. BTW: Trinity Church is on the National Registry.

4. Josh spoke on the 2014 Historic Preservation Commission budget with a line item of \$200.00 for the Commission as well as the current budget which does not reflect the house tour money which is supposed to be in escrow. There was no money listed for the HPC on the Town budget in 2013 –which if in fact true would be a disaster. Supervisor Kelly Myers will be meeting with a member from each town committee to review the proposed 2014 budget. Jimmy says that Gary Newkirk assured him that the stone house tour monies were carried over. Both Josh and Jimmy will follow-up on this.

5. Guidelines. Josh would like to see the grant awarded to the HPC to do guidelines closed out and the guidelines completed. Michael says that the grant for the guidelines has been closed out although the guidelines are not complete at this time; Opus 40 and the village area are not done. Josh stated that photographs from page 33 to page 50+ are missing. Barry suggests that the guidelines be in front of the commission for the next meeting. It was also suggested that the guidelines be on the town web site. Josh moved that the Commission invite Michael Campbell to the next meeting to discuss the web site and whether preservation information can be part of the web site. Seconded by Stephen. Michael, aye; Susan, aye; Josh, aye; Barry, aye; Stephen, aye. Stephen will ask Michael Campbell to come.

6. Josh distributed an email dated 10/17/13 stating that there is CLG funding readily available at no cost to your community. A Reconnaissance Level Survey of potential historic properties and districts in the community (or a survey update) could be done. [Jeanfr@verizon.net](mailto:Jeanfr@verizon.net) or 973-452-3656 for more information.

7. A. Weeks, the head of the building department, notified Josh that a stone house on Rte 32 at Hudson River Road, listed in the Cultural Resource Survey, has a application in to change the rear of the house, and to add dormers to the front. The new roof will be tin and a cupola is to be added. The Commissioners agreed to ask that the cupola be deleted from the design. The resolution passed by the Historic Preservation Commission March 15, 2010 came into play in this issue. The resolution is filed with these minutes.

Josh handed out a brochure titled Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission, Frequently Asked Questions. and the Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission and Village of Saugerties Historic Review Board. Preserving our Heritage published in 2011.

9. Susan brought up an article in Katerskill Life with a quilt tour (barns with quilts hanging on them). Susan mentioned the possibility of applying for a grant to construct an app for a driving tour within the town.

Josh moved to adjourn. Michael, aye; Susan, aye; Josh, aye; Barry, aye; Stephen, aye. Unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Audrey Klinkenberg

Secretary.