

MINUTES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
BUILDING DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE ROOM
FEBRUARY 20, 2012
7 P.M.

Present: Josh Randall, Michael Sullivan Smith, Susan Puretz, Barry Benepe
Liaison: Jimmy Bruno, Town Board
Ex Officio: Audrey Klinkenberg, Town Historian
Guests: Josepha Gutelius, Gianfranco Pellegrini, Bipin Patel

Josh Randall, chair, called the meeting to order at 6:58 pm Kelly Myers, Town Supervisor, was unable to be here tonight.

1. Minutes of January 16, 2012 meeting. Paragraph 4, section 2, the last two sentences are changed to read. The Commission had requested that the hotel be placed on a parallel with the Wynkoop house, which brings the north west back corner closer to the Schaller property. The Commission members reviewed the new site map and based on the changes Michael stated that the Commission would back a side yard setback variance for the zoning.

Barry moved, Michael seconded that the minutes be approved as amended, Barry, aye, Michael, aye, Susan, aye, Josh, aye. Unanimous approval.

2. Discussion of Wynkoop House Proposal. Gianfranco and Bipin distributed a rendering from the architect. The siding will probably be clap board. Josepha brought up the Gateway Overlay District law, which requires that the buildings are visually pleasing and match the image of the town. In other words, not a corporate look. There are requirements which must be met as part of the law. The planning board is aware of these requirements. There are also rather strict signage laws. Much discussion of the plan ensued.

Barry moved and Susan seconded that the exterior work to be performed on the Wynkoop house, as submitted by Gianfranco and Bipin, with the addition of the words the "use of copper gutters" be approved in concept. Josh, aye, Michael, aye, Barry, aye, Susan, abstain. A copy of the list of exterior work to be performed on the Wynkoop stone house is filed with the minutes. Bullet point number 2 should read: Complete period-style replacement windows, maintain original integrity/design, but with updated functionality & efficiency. Josh stated that there are very specific requirements to maintain the integrity of the property.

3. Historic House Tour update. There have been 5 meetings and publicity is well under way, including articles in *Katskill Life*, a radio appearance and hopefully an article in the *Kingston Freeman*, in April. The web site for the tour is up and running. The committee is talking with Ulster County Transit for transportation to one of the houses. There are 6 houses on the tour.

The post card for advertisement is ready. The tour booklet descriptions are being written, and so far is ahead of schedule. Myles Putman is working on the maps and routes.

4. Education Committee update. Michael reported that he hasn't gotten any inspired responses so he has been putting his own material into the blog, which is being used in the social studies department of the school.

5. Replacement of Myles Putman. Several names of persons who have the qualifications to be a member of this Commission were proposed. Michael suggested that we request a resume from those persons. Josh will send emails to both Jimmy Bruno and Kelly Myers to let them know that the Commission will be coming up with a recommendation.

6. Old Business. The state historic marker from the neighborhood of the Katsbaan church is at the Highway Department. The historian will ask the Historic Marker painting volunteer to take a look at the sign.

7. New Business. Josh received a call regarding the designation of a home at 1910 Route 32 South owned by Joanne Stuto. He will meet with the owner.

Adjournment at 9:05.

Audrey M. Klinkenberg
Secretary