Town of Saugerties

Historic Preservation Commission

Minutes of February 25, 2019

Meeting called to order 5:10 p.m.

In attendance: Stefan Yarabeck, chairman; Susan Puretz, vice-chairwoman; Audrey Klinkenberg, Town Historian; John Schoonmaker, Town Board Liaison; Paul Andreassen, Town Board Liaison; Alba LaFiandra, observer.

Excused: Peigi Mulligan, Ken Myers Jr., Barry Benepe

Minutes of January 28, 2019 were approved.

Old Business

- 1. Discussion regarding having minutes posted to the Town of Saugerties website. Michael Campbell is the contact person.
- 2. Board member nominations: Barry Benepe to complete Michael Sullivan Smith's term to March 20, 2020. Ken Myers to fill board vacancy till March 2023. Alba LaFiandra was in attendance as an observer in order to see how the HPC conducts meetings and also in order to determine whether or not she would like to join the commission as an alternate to the board.
- 3. NYS Archive Grant update information was discussed and there will be a first decision made on March 20, 2019.
- 4. Poultney Bigelow Landmark Designation public hearing. A site cannot be designated without a public hearing. The name of the Landmark is still in discussion based on the history of Poultney Bigelow. At the public hearing, there will be a discussion as to re-naming the park to the Bigelow Homestead.
- 5. American Legion 'Remember the Maine" was held on 2/15/2019. Peigi gave a brief overview of Poultney Bigelow.
- 6. There has been great progress made with the documents that belonged to Myles Putman. There have been at least 1000 documents that have been looked through by the archivist and they will be held in metal cabinets that were also donated. Myles Putman's brother has all of the computers that were in Myles' home before his passing. He will transfer data onto flash drives and donate all of that to the HPC. At this point in time, the archivist Clare will be working on the documents through April.
- 7. The new roof for the Clark Van Vlierden home will be discussed at the March meeting. For now the topic is tabled.
- 8. The Town Board will be accepting the memorializing resolution. A member or members of the HPC will attend a board meeting. A resolution will be sent to Terri Wood and the information will be added to the agenda for the meeting.

New Business

- 1. The legal donor letter is currently in the hands of the town attorney.
- 2. The Winston Farm sale and the Benepe's correspondence will be reviewed at the March 2019 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.