

Historic Preservation Commission
August 20, 2012
Building Department Conference Room

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

Audrey Klinkenberg: Town Historian, Secretary

Jimmy Bruno: liaison from Town Board

Meeting called to order by the chair, Josh Randall at 7:08.

1) Approval of minutes of July 16, 2012. Moved by Stephen and seconded Susan by that the minutes be approved as presented. Josh, aye; Michael, aye; Stephen, aye; Susan, aye; Barry; aye. Unanimous.

2) Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week, September 29 through October 7. Last year we had a presentation on the paper of Henry Carle regarding Flatbush, Michael demonstrated the history Atlas and the guidelines. Visitors included Lorraine Weiss, Gregory Helmsmoortel and Michael Hein. This year we can do a talk about Winston Farm, and about the records of the Village 1832, 1833. This could be held in the library conference room. Audrey will set the date with the library. 2nd 3rd or 5th of October are the possible dates. The Historic Preservation Commission, the Village Historic Review Board and the Town Historian (Associate County Historian) will work together on this topic We will invite the village Historian.

3) 80 Churchland Road – Very Brief Report. Josh was going to be doing some research on the house and was unable to do so. Barbara Gentile called Susan Puretz to say that she has been unable to get the pictures she promised.

4) Old Timer's Day (Poster Boards) Barry will make copies of the poster boards.

5) Michael's demonstration of a map of Winston Farm. Using A History Atlas of Saugerties, Michael showed the 1912 map of James O. Winston's farm.

6) New Business: Audrey's Blog www.poststarnews.com is called All Things Historical on the Saugerties Post Star web site.

Audrey announced that the sign on Herrick's Bridge designating it as a Historic Site is in place.

Barry Benepe has been doing research on the 'Solite' Barn, to find out the original location and builder or owner. Barbara Budik has stated that the original owner was a Post.

7) Old Business: Lisa Stanley has not responded to Michael's letter.

The topic of space for an office for the Historic Preservation Committee was raised with Jimmy Bruno. Several possibilities for space within the town hall were discussed. We presently have a five drawer file cabinet. Jimmy will check with Kelly Myers regarding an office for the Historic Preservation Commission. Susan Puretz made a motion that the Commission recommends that the town records pertaining to the Historic Preservation Commission and records pertaining to the history of the town be kept in a climate controlled room within the town building.

Seconded by Michael Sullivan Smith. Discussion ensued. Josh, aye; Michael, aye; Stephen, aye; Susan, aye; Barry, aye. Unanimous.

Barry suggests that instead of attempting to designate districts at this time, the Commission might produce a booklet to show the historic districts within the town to educate the public. Barry will bring more information to the meeting in October.

8) Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.

Audrey Klinkenberg
Secretary

Handouts – Agenda, letter from Michael Hein regarding Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week and a copy of the Local Law # 3 of 2004.