

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)

October 2, 2017 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call

Present

Jack Bolan
Reshmee Cuman
Carol Greene
Yvonne Beatrice
Debbie Grob

Absent

Randall Brewster
Anne Powley
Barbara Shanley
Gus Vasiliadis
Ronald Wohlberg, excused
Karen Fasouletos, excused

Sunshine Law: The secretary read the Sunshine Law.

Flag Salute:

Public Session: Mr. Bolan moved to open the Public Session and Mrs. Cuman seconded the motion. All approved.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no. Bolan, yes; Cuman, yes; Greene, yes; Beatrice, yes; Grob, yes.

The Chair recognized Renee Cantor a Girl Scout Gold Award project applicant. Ms. Cantor presented the Commission with the final product of her Girl Scout Gold Award project, a brochure "Historic Mahwah for Kids" with projects that can be obtained on line. The Commission offered to post it on the HPC web site and Facebook page. The brochures will be available at the Mahwah Library and at the Mahwah Museum.

Mr. Bolan moved to close the Public Session and Mrs. Beatrice seconded the motion. All approved.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no. Bolan, yes; Cuman, yes; Greene, yes; Beatrice, yes; Grob, yes.

Minutes: There was not a quorum to approval the August 10, 2017 minutes, so it was tabled until the November 2, 2017 HPC meeting along with the September 11, 2017 minutes.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no. Bolan, yes; Cuman, yes; Greene, yes; Beatrice, yes; Grob, yes.

Chair's Report:

Mahwah Day: The Chair reported that Renee Cantor was at the HPC booth to explain her Girl Scout Gold Award project, and thanked the members for their participation.

Committee Reports:

Crocker Mansion: Mrs. Greene reported that she and Mrs. Shanley will write up a report of the Crocker Mansion Tour.

New York/New Jersey Trail Conference: Mrs. Grob reported that the County Engineer reported that it will give the NYNJTC funds to rebuild the rock wall on the south side of the building or the County will do the job.

Vanderbeck Cemetery: No report at this time.

Carmelite Retreat: It was reported that the Carmelite Retreat has been sold as a high end rehabilitation hospital. The interior will probably change. However, the new owners plan on keeping the exterior the same.

Mahwah Museum: It was suggested that the Mahwah Museum may want to participate in the project for the signage for Old Train Station Museum buildings.

Quackenbush Barn: Mrs. Powley reported that she has secured a donation of cedar mulch for the Quackenbush barn; she will also investigate the possibility of obtaining small stone donation for the Quackenbush barn also.

NJ Transit: The Chair reported that the secretary has sent the NJ Transit a letter approving the repair work at the Mahwah Train Station.

Bergen County History Grant Program-2018: Mrs. Powley will apply for the reprinting of the Historic Homes Brochure.

Open Space Grant Application: It was discussed that before the Commission could apply for the stabilization of the Moffatt Road Cemetery hill facing Route 17, that the HPC must determine who owns the property.

HPC Facebook Page: No report at this time.

Applications: None at this time.

Street Names: None at this time.

New Business: None at this time.

General Discussion: None at this time.

Mrs. Greene moved to adjourn the HPC Public meeting and Mrs. Powley seconded the motion. All approved.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no. Bolan, yes; Greene, yes; Shanley, yes; Beatrice, yes; Grob, yes.

These minutes are a synopsis of the MHPC tapes, which are on file at the Township Municipal Building.

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