

Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)

December 1, 2014 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call

Present

Carol Green  
Deborah Grob  
Ronald Wohlberg  
Anne Powley  
Barbara Shanley

Absent

Jack Bolan, excused  
Randy Brewster, excused  
Gus Vasiliadis, excused  
Leda Dunn-Wettre, excused  
Yvonne Beatrice, excusewd  
Marc Foner, excused

**Sunshine Law:** The secretary read the Sunshine Law.

**Flag Salute**

**Public Session:** Mrs. Grob moved to open the Public Session and Mrs. Powley seconded the motion. All approved.

No members of the public were present.

Mr. Wohlberg moved to close the Public Session and Mrs. Powley seconded the motion. All approved.

**Minutes:** There was no quorum from November 3, 2014 meeting. Therefore, November 3, 2014 minutes will be approved at January 5, 2015 meeting.

**Chair's Report:**

**Winter Farmhouse:** In Mrs. Wettre's absence, Mrs. Shanley reported that no repairs have been done since Township Attorney's letter to Mr. Alvarez. She will contact, Administrative Officer/Zoning Officer, Michael Kelly, regarding the plan of action.

**Committee Reports:**

**Train Station Museum:** Mrs. Greene and Mrs. Shanley reported that the Mayor met with members of the Museum Society and Historic Preservation Commission to discuss the status of the Train Station Museum. He told them that there are no present plans of moving the Department of Public Works to a difference location, but it has been discussed several times in the past that the present location is too small and needs to be moved. The status of the Train Station Museum complex, at present, remains as is.

**Mahwah Museum:** Mrs. Greene had no further report, at this time.

**HPC Web Site Page:** Discussion was tabled until the January 5, 2015 HPC meeting.

**HPC Historic Home Brochure:** No report at this time.

**NJ Bergen County CLG Grant:** No report at this time.

**Joyce Kilmer Poetry Contest:** The Chair will contact In Serra regarding the donation from Shop Rite for the Joyce Kilmer Poetry Contest awards.

**Quackenbush Barn:** Mrs. Powley had no report at this time.

**Carmelite Retreat:** Mrs. Greene will report on her contact with the Carmelite Retreat at the January 5, 2015 HPC meeting.

**Old Business:** The Chair asked for an updated status on the damaged Hopper Gristmill road marker. The secretary will check on the status of the insurance claim.

**Mahwah Heritage Awards Nominations:** This was tabled until the January 5, 2015 HPC meeting.

**New Business:** None at this time.

**General Discussion:** Mrs. Powley reported that she contacted Cynthia Forester of the Bergen County Historic Commission regarding the status of the Cleveland Bridge and was told that the County plans on keeping the Cleveland Bridge as a foot bridge and building a new bridge for vehicle traffic. Location of the new bridge has not been determined.

Mrs. Greene reported that the Mahwah Museum Society (MMS) was very pleased with the joint efforts of the MMS and the HPC regarding the Train Station Museum and looks forward to working together on this project and other projects with the HPC.

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

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

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