

Historic Preservation Commission

July 12, 2010 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Roll Call

Present

Barbara Shanley
Yvonne Beatrice
Tony Bourgholtzer
Randall Brewster
Deborah Grob (late 7:37pm)
Alex Michelini

Absent

Marthajean Drago
John Bristow, excused
Gus Vasiliadis, excused
Carol Greene

Flag Salute

Sunshine Law: The secretary read the Sunshine Law.

Public Session: Mr. Brewster moved to open the Public Session and Mr. Michelini seconded the motion. All approved.

No members of the public were present.

Mrs. Bourgholtzer moved to close the Public Session and Mrs. Grob seconded the motion. All approved.

Minutes:

Mrs. Beatrice moved to approve the June 7, 2010 minutes with the following corrections:

- Public Session fifth paragraph, second sentence, change site to performed.
- Chair’s Report Winter Farmhouse, first sentence change owner to manager.
- General Discussion, second paragraph, last sentence change to read “Mrs. Shanley accepted his donation and after the HPC reviews the collection, will forward the collection to the Mahwah Museum.

Mrs. Bourgholtzer seconded the motion. All approved.

Chair’s Report;

The Chair reported that the Fletcher House renovation is progressing. The Chair passed around photos of different stages of the renovation including the garage.

Historic Marker:

The Chair reported that the secretary ordered the Winter Farmhouse historic marker.

Mr. Michelini commented that the historic markers that are located on the road side are impossible to read. Chair reported that the exact location of the road markers are determined by the town or county and agreed that they are not always in the best location for reading. It was suggested that the HPC take

photos of all the Township historic markers and post them on the HPC page of the Township web site. The Chair will compose the list. Volunteers will be needed for this project.

Winters Farmhouse:

The Chair reported that there is a broken window causing water damage to the building. The Chair will inform the manager of the property that repairs are needed.

Mahwah Day:

The Chair purchased a tent for the HPC booth. Mr. Brewster and Mr. Michelini will help Mrs. Shanley man the HPC booth on Mahwah Day.

Winter Dairy House:

The Chair reported that the Winter Dairy House is still in danger of demolition if left vacant and subject to vandalism and disrepair. The Chair asked for usage suggestions from the members. The Chair will contract Buildings and Grounds Foreman, Ed Sinclair, to arrange two separate dates to tour the house with HPC members.

Chestnut Trees, LLC

The Chair reported that the secretary received a street name application from the applicant for Chestnut Trees, LLC. However, the HPC can only act on an application that has been received from the Township. Therefore, the HPC cannot vote on a street name, at this time. However, the members did discuss several names, including the following:

- Red Oak Lane NJ State Tree
- English Barn Lane Type of barn that was located on the property
- Barnstable Lane To designate that a barn was once located on the property

The secretary will confirm if the applicant is requesting one or two street names.

DEP Filings: None at this time.

Old Business: No report.

Budget:

The Chair submitted bills for reimbursement for photos she took of the Fletcher House and Knight-Goetiachuis Property.

Mrs. Grob moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Michelini 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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