

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021 at 7:30 P.M.**

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission, held via remote video conference, was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Anne Powley, Chair. The Opening Statement was read according to the Sunshine Law. Roll call was taken.

*Present:*

Anne Powley, Chair  
Yvonne Beatrice  
Reshmee Cuman  
Carol Greene, Historian  
Ronald Wohlberg  
Linda Dator, Alternate I

*Absent:*

Catherine Gramaglia  
Barbara Rakov  
Deborah Silvestro  
Janet Ariemma, Council Liaison

*Public:*

Tom Dunn  
Martha Steinbach

Public Session

Powley made a motion to open the meeting to the public; Cuman seconded. All members were in favor.

Presentation by Tom Dunn – Cragmere’s Local History

Powley introduced Tom Dunn, who has been a resident of Mahwah since 1968. Mr. Dunn spoke about his background in history and his interest in researching the Cragmere section of town. He gave an in-depth presentation of some of the more notable residents and homes in the neighborhood. Members discussed the presentation.

Closed Session

Powley made a motion to close the meeting to the public; Dator seconded. All members were in favor.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on March 1, 2021 were approved following a motion by Beatrice; seconded by Powley. A roll call of eligible voters revealed four aye votes by Powley, Beatrice, Cuman and Wohlberg.

**CHAIR’S REPORT**

Member Update

Powley said Steinbach has not yet been appointed. Storms will check on the status.

Powley nominated Dator to serve as Vice Chair; Beatrice seconded. All present members were in favor.

Members discussed several other members of the public who may be interested in serving on the commission.

#### Moffatt Road Cemetery Update

Powley said Ramapo Tree Service is coming sometime in May to conduct the tree work. The Girl Scouts will also be coming in for a clean-up.

#### Quackenbush Barn

Powley said she has repainted over the graffiti she found on the barn. She has also spoken to the DPW to look at the damage to the roof and the masonry. DPW is working on obtaining quotes. She would like to have a meeting with town administration and DPW to develop a five-year plan that will allow us to more proactively deal with future issues.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Facebook

Powley said she posted about Carol Greene last month, and it was one of the most popular posts to date.

#### Ordinance Property Updates

Powley said she would like to continue assigning properties.

#### Historic Preservation Awards

Dator is coordinating our annual historic preservation awards for June 3. This year, we would like to recognize Ramapo College for the historic rehabilitation efforts the college has completed at four buildings on campus. Storms will prepare a certificate to present to the college as well as talking points for town representatives.

### **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

*Nothing to report*

### **OLD BUSINESS**

*Nothing to report*

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was received and reviewed:

- Various agendas, minutes and public notices

### **NEW BUSINESS**

*Nothing to report*

#### New Historic Preservation Awards Nomination

Greene said she would like to nominate Vincent Barbieri for his work to save the Winter Farmhouse. Members agreed we would reach out to Mr. Barbieri for next year's awards.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further questions or discussion, the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was adjourned at 9:05 p.m. following a motion by Greene; seconded by Dator. All other present members voted in favor.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 3, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. via remote video conference. These minutes are a synopsis of the Mahwah Historic Preservation Commission Meeting. A verbatim audio recording is on file at the Township Municipal Building.

J. Storms  
Secretary