

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022 at 7:30 P.M.**

The meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission, held via remote video conference, was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by Anne Powley, Chair. The Opening Statement was read according to the Sunshine Law. Roll call was taken.

Present:

Linda Dator, Vice Chair
Anne Powley, Chair
Martha Steinbach
Malgorzata Matejczuk, Alternate II
Janet Ariemma, Council Liaison

Absent:

Yvonne Beatrice
Reshmee Cuman
Carol Greene, Historian
Pradeep Kapoor
Heather Alesio, Alternate I
TWO Vacant Seats

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on June 6, 2022 were approved following a motion by Steinbach; seconded by Powley. A roll call of eligible voters revealed four aye votes by Dator, Powley, Steinbach and Matejczuk.

Mahwah Day Update

Mahwah Day is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022. Steinbach gave an update on her planning for Mahwah Day. This year's theme will be "A Caboose Comes to Mahwah." Members discussed.

2023 HPC Award Ceremony

Powley is reaching out to Vincent LaBarbieri for his work preserving the Winter Farmhouse, Crocker Mansion and the Darlington School House. We will also honor a local scout from Boy Scout Troop 50 for his work on the cemetery.

Caboose Fundraising Updates

Powley said we have received commitments of about \$18,000 right now. We are hoping to raise a total of \$50,000 by Mahwah Day.

Cemetery Committee

Powley said she spoke to a resident, Dave Kopp, who has expressed an interest in serving on our cemetery committee. Powley will introduce the resident to Cuman and Alesio, who serve on the committee. Powley spoke to Tom Dunn about the slave cemetery at Ramapo College. She believes the property is not owned by anyone that we can find. Mr. Dator has done some additional research on the cemetery, and said we need to file a quiet title action to gain access to the cemetery. Members discussed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Facebook Updates

Powley will prepare something in line with our Mahwah Day theme.

Cragmere Historic District

Matejczuk has completed her research on the Cragmere Historic District. Powley will meet with Matejczuk in the coming week to discuss. Dator said she would like to join.

Sun Valley Farm Invitation

Carol Greene has invited the entire commission to her farm for a tour on Monday, August 1 at 5 p.m. We will attend the tour in lieu of our August meeting.

Vacancies

We still have two vacancies on the Commission.

House Portrait Fundraiser

Caitlin Duffy has received another order for a house portrait. Powley posted an update on Facebook as well.

Ordinance Property Updates

Powley said the quotes for roof repair on the Quackenbush Barn came in very high. She will talk to the Business Administrator about planning for future repairs.

Real Estate Round Up

Dator said there are currently no new historic properties on the market. Powley said she would like to consider a mailing to introduce owners of historic properties to the Commission. Members discussed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Nothing further to report

CORRESPONDENCE

None received

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further questions or discussion, the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. following a motion by Powley; seconded by Steinbach. All other present members voted in favor.

The August meeting is cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey. 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