

Clinton Historic Preservation Commission

Minutes of Meeting

April 25th, 2007

Members Present: Laurie Insel, Holly Lione, Rosemarie Platt, Craig Rogers,
George Tiboni, Christie Wood, Dorothea Baka, Marcia Hansen

Monthly Agenda- Minutes from March 28, 2007 were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Update- Carol (absent)- No changes.

Recognition Committee Update- Allie (absent) and Marcia. Possible future recognition of the Train Depot at Fox Lumber, and 101 Center St. (the old rectory). 101 owner would like to have some old photos in order to do an accurate restoration.

Achival Evaluation Committee- Rose, George, Holly

Rosemarie plans to seek out old photos and also invite the owner of 101 Center to one of our meetings. Holly and Rosemarie are looking into acid-free sleeves in which to store old photos, which are housed at The Red Mill and need to be inventoried and stored.

47 Leigh St. Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony- Laurie

Saturday, June 9th was chosen. No time yet. Possible celebration ideas included cookies that look like the house, a circa plaque, a name for the house, invitations to all former members of the Historical Pres. Commission. An ad will be placed in the Democrat.

Update of Hunterdon Sites of Historic Interest- Craig. Craig has been in touch with Sue Kenen, the overseer of the update and revision of the Sites of Historic Interest, Hunterdon County Master Plan, published in 1979. It will be up to our commission to do the legwork on updating our survey.

Ordinance Update- Craig. We need a Demolition clause that suits our needs, The Hopewell Ordinance can be our guide. A one year wait time seems reasonable. Discussed was the idea of requiring a packet of history be made prior to demo of a structure with photos, deed search and maybe This process will create a deterrent to demolition. Application of Standards for rebuild is being considered to insure an appropriate new construction. Laurie is looking into legal advice on the specifics of this aspect.

New Business- Laurie. The Community Center Grandstand is in disrepair and a local group is volunteering to do the work. Grant \$ will be sought.

Council pass a resolution to give tax credits to Historical Home Restorations.

Mayor Schaumburg is thinking of having open house hours at 47 Leigh for the public.

The Mayor also started a Vision Study and got grant \$. On June 16th, residents of Clinton will be invited to Clinton Public School to weigh in on redevelopment and any and all concerns of the town. A town-wide mailer will go out for this Vision Study.