

Town of Marbletown

Historic Preservation Commission

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Claudine Brenner, Secretary
Brook Garrett
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Bent L. Thomsen
Kathy Schulz, Associate Commissioner
Corey Cavallaro, Associate Commissioner

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Minutes of the Meeting held at Marbletown Town Hall,

January 9, 2016

Present: Anthony DiGuiseppe, Tim Hunt, Chairpersons; Marian McCorkle-Beckerman, Vice-Chair; Claudine Brenner, Secretary; Brook Garrett, Susan Sprachman, Bent Thomssen, Commissioners; Cory Cavallaro, Kathy Schulz Associate Commissioners; Doug Adams, Town Board Liaison

Excused: Harry Hansen.

Tim Hunt called the meeting to order. The minutes were reviewed, and all approved.

The agenda was reviewed.

Town updates:

Members expressed concern over how current zoning laws and design guidelines would be applied to development of the vacant lot next to the Ulster Saving's bank. Doug Adams, Town Board Liaison, reassured Commission members that HPC Commissioner, Harry Hansen, also attends the town's PZC meetings, and would report whether any variances to current zoning laws were being considered. Discussion raised the question of how New Paltz has addressed new developments in a historic district. Hunt reminded Adams that HPC's purview should be included in any variance process; DiGuiseppe suggested the HPC should be included in a quarterly meeting with other town commissions and could Adams bring this up at the next town board meeting. McCorkle suggested that the minutes of Town Board meetings be reviewed prior to HPC meetings so questions or concerns could be discussed. It was recommended that the minutes of other commissions be sent to respective chairs. McCorkle will coordinate this request with the town clerk.

Designations:

The DePuy Canal House sale was completed in December. A museum café or a cooking school has been discussed as options for the new home of the Depuy Canal Museum. Local designation will continue to be discussed with the museum management. Hunt stated that designation of such properties with public access would increase the potential for grants as a landmark receives state and federal preferential treatment.

Oliver House: Hunt presented a draft application at the request of the Oliver House owner on Route 209 in North Marbletown. The commission discussed consideration of barns or historic personages for potential inclusion. Some members noted the importance of this 20th century barn as one of the largest in the area. Commissioners DiGuiseppe, McCorkle and Shultz volunteered to do additional research on the Oliver house to be shared with the owner through Hunt for the completion of the preliminary and, potentially, a full application.

Hunt reminded the commission that when applying for designation, applicants are asked to report if their property is included on the Piwonka Survey of Marbletown inventory of historic properties. The application states to check with the library. Oliver House owner stated the library was not aware of a survey. Claudine Brenner will check with the library whether they have a copy. Doug will check whether the town hall has the original copy, as the town and historic preservation commission funded the survey.

Chambers House, Kripplebush: Sprachman stated the Chambers House was sold. The owners inquired concerning local designation and are pursuing with the realtor copies of historical papers that were found by the previous owner during renovations. Sprachman will follow up.

HPC Brochure:

The main roads (routes 209, 213 and County Route 2) were highlighted in blue; Hunt suggested that Leggett road also be highlighted. Garrett and DiGiuseppe proposed edits to the document. Hunt sent the brochure for town historian, Gail Many's comments. Pending her edits the brochure will go to print following the commission's final review in February.

McCorkle proposed adding the various historical websites that are listed in the brochure on our website.

Other:

Commissioner terms: McCorkle will verify with Town Supervisor Warren that proposed commissioner terms were indeed approved in the last town board meeting.

Training: Bent Thomsen shared a notification of training offered by SHPO on March 1st at Ellenville Library.

Founder's Day: The next few meetings will focus on putting together seminars or workshops for Founder's Day. Doug mentioned that ARC has a food truck that could be booked.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10.40 a.m. The next meeting will be held February 13, 2016 at the new Town Hall, in Rosendale at 09.00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudine Brenner