

Town of Marbletown

Historic Preservation Commission

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Marbletown Historic Preservation Commission
May 4, 2019 Meeting,
Co-Chair DiGuiseppe Residence

Present:

Anthony DiGuiseppe, Co-Chair
Tim Hunt, Co-Chair
Marian McCorkle-Beckerman, Vice Chair
Claudine Brenner, Secretary
Harry Hansen, Commissioner
Kathy Schulz, Commissioner
Laura Shaine Cunningham
Marjorie Shelley, Commissioner
Susan Sprachman, Commissioner
Doug Adams, Commissioner
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Excused:

Harry Hansen, Commissioner

Call to order: Quorum, Minutes: DiGuiseppe called the meeting to order at 10.40a.m.

Minutes of last meeting: The commission reviewed the minutes of the April 13 meeting and without changes, they were APPROVED.

Update on Town Related Business: Stewart talked about the historic district and creekside walk and rail trail link. Meetings with the D&H Canal and High Falls Conservancy continue to keep plans moving along for the link. The town received a \$100,000 grant from George Amedore's office to extend the sidewalks in Stone Ridge. Unfortunately, the amount falls far short and the money has been reallocated to High Falls instead of Stone Ridge.

Reconnaissance Survey:

Hunt reported that 540 properties have so far been entered into the CRIS system. Some properties have not been surveyed due to permission and privacy fencing (About 7 names and 6 LLCs or trusts per John Ham, surveyor). A few properties are off lengthy private roads and the surveyors want permission first before

entering. (Note: Hunt reported the consultant was bitten by a dog while doing this and is thus hesitant to go down a long road.)

The draft was delayed for a May 1st delivery to the commission, but should be ready sometime this month. The target is for July to have a fairly complete survey. During May/June we will be reviewing data entry. Hunt's goal is to have the consultant continue working on his data entry and to survey additional properties where permission was obtained. The commission will conduct expanded research for the Van Aiken Farm and the Leggett Estate (Ridgely Estate with their administration) for this project.

Schedule for documenting potential landmarked properties:

Preliminary application for Roosa house is underway.

Proposed revisions to the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service

The Commission discussed the Preservation League of NYS' concern about proposed revisions to the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service.

The Preservation League believes that all of the revisions proposed by NPS circumvent the intent of the National Historic Preservation Act and subsequent amendments, and that the proposed revisions are hostile to the National Register nomination process.

The Commission discussed the changes that were being proposed. Sprachman suggested that Schulz take the time to review the proposal and report back at the next meeting. Schulz agreed to look further into this.

Tax credit article for Blue Stone Press: DiGuiseppe is still working on the article.

Orientation & Designation Training: The Orientation and Designation Training for newcomers immediately followed the Commission meeting.

Agenda items included reviewing the Historic Preservation webpage and the local law. The importance of landmark designation was raised and the landmark designation application process discussed, as well as the Commission's Code of Ethics. (See agenda attached)

<https://www.marbletown.net/historic-preservation-commission/pages/landmark-designation-application-process>

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11.40 and a light luncheon served. The next meeting, originally scheduled for June 8 at 09.00 a.m., was postponed to June 22nd at 09.30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Claudine Brenner