

Town of Marbletown

Historic Preservation Commission

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Bill Brinnier, Commissioner
Scott Davis, Commissioner
John Roosa, Commissioner

MINUTES

Historic Preservation Commission

November 10, 2022

Canal House, High Falls

Present: Doug Adams, Commissioner (remote)
Laura Shaine Cunningham, Vice Chair
Scott Davis, Commissioner (remote)
John Harrington, Secretary
Bill Merchant, Chair
John Roosa, Commissioner
Ken Davenport, Town Board Liaison

Absent: Paul Bogart, Commissioner
Bill Brinnier, Commissioner

1. Meeting called to order at 6:11pm; quorum noted; review of agenda.
2. Approval of minutes.

Motion: To approve the minutes of the meeting of October 13, 2022; moved by Laura Shaine Cunningham; seconded by John Harrington; motion approved unanimously.

3. Update on Historical Sign Renovation

Work on outdoor signs paused due to weather. Work will continue on the John Burroughs and Discovery of Cement signs in High Falls.

4. Lyonsville Church Update.

HPC will open communication with the owner of the Lyonsville Church about its history, designation as landmark, and preservation rules of Marbletown. John Roosa and Bill Merchant will contact the owner.

On a related matter, the commissioners discussed that status of the front porch of the Stone Ridge Library, which was removed for its structural renovation. Ken Davenport will consult with his father on any post-renovation plans for the porch or funding of its restoration.

5. Status of Training

State Historic Preservation Office require Commissioners to attend preservation meetings or recorded programs on an annual basis. HPC will circulate information on scheduled opportunities for training, and Commissioners should report attendance to Secretary Harrington.

6. Press Release

Merchant will prepare a press release for local newspapers on his appointment as Chair and the recent designation of 74 Ridgely Drive.

7. Update on Town-related Business

Davenport described the town hire of a professional consultant for an audit of current town zoning laws.

8. New Business

HPC discussed ways to communicate to prospective home buyers in Marbletown the benefits of historic preservation. This might best be pursued through contact with local realtors.

Cunningham will remain in contact with properties adjoining her own on Leggett Road about applying for local landmark designation.

Scott Davis is at the end of his term as Commissioner in December 2022.

Motion: HPC recommends appointment of Scott Davis to a new full term as Commissioner beginning in January 2023; moved by Harrington; seconded by Cunningham; approved unanimously.

Chair will communicate the recommendation to the Town Board.

As there is no pressing business, HPC will not meet in December, 2022.

Motion: Cancel the regular HPC meeting of December 8, 2022; moved by Doug Adams; seconded by Davis; approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05.

The next regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission is January 12, 2023, 6:00pm, place TBA.

Recorded by HPC Secretary, John Harrington.