

Town of Marbletown

Historic Preservation Commission

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Marbletown Historic Preservation Commission
June 22, 2019 Meeting,
Marbletown Town Hall

Present:

Anthony DiGuiseppe, Co-Chair
Tim Hunt, Co-Chair
Marian McCorkle-Beckerman, Vice Chair
Claudine Brenner, Secretary
Harry Hansen, Commissioner
Laura Shaine Cunningham
Susan Sprachman, Commissioner

Excused:

Doug Adams, Commissioner
Eric Stewart, Town Board Liaison
Kathy Schulz, Commissioner
Marjorie Shelley, Commissioner

Call to order: Quorum, Minutes: Hunt called the meeting to order at 09.40 a.m.

Minutes of last meeting: With no changes noted, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Town Business: Hansen reported that the town is moving forward on short-term rental legislation. AirBnB Registration will be encouraged in order to ensure safety. Event planning is still being discussed.

Update on Survey Project: Hunt reported he is still waiting for an email with the list of 540 properties. Final payment is contingent upon final delivery of product. A timeline is in place to review the overall survey and input - not just a list of properties, but also data. The commission hopes to be able to gain access to the CHRIS system in order to review the information. There are still some properties to be surveyed and site visits to make; Commission members volunteered to help where necessary. Neil Larson, consultant, is to provide the first draft of properties and to define the final site visits.

Land Marking Properties: Leggett Estate update: McCorkle-Beckerman said they were worried that they would lose their 501c3 status if they were landmarked. She pointed out that both the Bevier house and the library are designated properties and it did not impact their status. Hansen added that on the contrary, being landmarked may increase their chances of receiving grants. Hunt and McCorkle-Beckerman communicated this to the Leggett representative.

The commission suggested that two subcommittees be formed to begin landmark work on two identified properties in Marbletown. Hansen volunteered to lead the historical research and background work on one of the endangered properties.

Dutch Reformed Church: Hunt and McCorkle-Beckerman met with them to explain the benefits of land marking. Hansen put them in touch with Sacred Sites and Preservation to allay any reservations regarding the parsonage. Any decisions would have to be approved by the National Dutch Reformed Church organization.

Bevier House: The Historic Preservation Commission received an ‘Authorization/Consent’ in the matter of the Application of CES Marbletown Solar, LLC for a special use permit and site plan approval for a photovoltaic system directly across from the Bevier House. The commission wrote a letter to the Planning Board supporting considerations that might impact Bevier House’s protected historic status.

Hunt instructed the commission to review the purview of the HPC in the preservation law regarding environmental impacts and adjoining properties.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10.25. The next meetings is scheduled for July 13 at 09.30

Respectfully submitted,
Claudine Brenner