

**Minutes of the Metuchen Historic Preservation Committee Regular Meeting
February 14, 2012, 7:30 PM, Borough Hall, 2nd Floor, 500 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ**

Chairperson Tyreen Reuter called the February 14, 2012 regularly scheduled meeting of the Metuchen Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) to order at 7:37 PM.

Attendance

Suzanne Andrews
Tyreen Reuter
Nancy Zerbe
Council Liaison Jay Muldoon

Review/recap of Minutes from the December 13, 2011 Meeting

After discussion, the Committee reviewed and approved the minutes; Tyreen Reuter / Suzanne Andrews (M/S/C, unanimous) to approve.

2011-2012 Grant Project

Tyreen Reuter and Nancy Zerbe reported on their efforts to find a consultant to handle the project. After speaking with numerous candidates, Tyreen and Nancy have found a lead candidate: Kathleen Irwin (her resume was distributed). Kathleen was highly recommended by an architectural historian who Nancy knows well and respects. Tyreen and Nancy will meet with her next week. Suzanne Andrews / Nancy Zerbe (M/S/C, unanimous) that pending the outcome of that meeting and the County's approval, the Committee will appoint Kathleen Irwin as the project consultant.

Tyreen Reuter discussed their review of potential historic district boundaries and reviewed Linda McTeague's proposed district map.

Scavenger Hunt

Photographer Kyo Morishima has offered to take the photos this year. Tyreen Reuter will speak to David Glasofer; we will definitely want to cycle back and use him again.

The Committee discussed considering making it somewhat easier due to the fact that it appears many people did not return their form because they did not finish. Ideas discussed include:

- Having fewer items to find. i.e., about 10 items.
- Using a smaller, more tightly defined geographic area, between the train station along Main Street and Borough Hall and then along Route 27 to the library.
- Prizes similar to last year, but perhaps a few more. Jay will speak to the Chamber and Nancy will speak to a potential donor.

Old/New Business

Jay Muldoon reported that we have flexibility in terms of adding other Committee members, if we would like. Tyreen has emailed Carol Gaffney to ask if she wants to stay on the Committee, and will follow-up.

Next Meetings

March 13, 2012

April 10, 2012

May 8, 2012

June 12, 2012

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Zerbe

HPC Member