

Minutes of the Metuchen Historic Preservation Committee Regular Meeting

March 11, 2014, 7:30pm, Borough Hall, 2nd floor, 500 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ

Chairperson Tyreen Reuter called the March 11, 2014 regularly scheduled meeting of the Metuchen Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) to order at 7:42pm.

Attendance

Tyreen Reuter

Nancy Zerbe

Richard Miller

Suzanne Andrews

Becky Seely

Richard Weber

Review of Minutes from the January 14, 2014 and February 25, 2014 Meetings

The minutes from the January 14, 2014 and the February 25, 2014 meetings were reviewed. Richard Weber/ Richard Miller (M/S/C, unanimous) to approve the minutes.

Grant Project

2013-2014: Tyreen Reuter reported that she and Nancy Zerbe met with consultant Margaret Newman to discuss the project. Margaret sent Tyreen a follow-up email report, indicating that she has been in touch with the NJ Historic Preservation Office. Nancy Zerbe added that the Preliminary Application form clearly states that the application is NOT an application, but it is "only used for judging eligibility." The Committee also discussed sending the Preliminary Application to the State with a summary background of the various studies that led to the identification of the historic districts.

Public Outreach

Meeting with the realtors. The Committee would still like to do this, but at a later date.

Homeowners' meeting in April or May. The Committee will send invitations to homeowners; the Committee is considering having it at a public facility once the State has given some feedback.

The Committee reviewed and discussed the draft brochure about the Committee. Suzanne Andrews suggested that we clearly identify our Mission Statement.

Tyreen Reuter reviewed the Borough's webpage to see what is there about our committee. We could add our grant products and the National Register factsheet.

Scavenger Hunt (May 2014)

The Committee discussed the organization of the hunt for this year.

New/Old Business

The Committee discussed the possibility of having a booth at the Country Fair on October 11.

Tyreen Reuter reported that the American Legion building is going to be demolished. Tyreen took pictures of it before it is demolished, mainly for the historical society.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Next Meetings

April 8, 2014

May 13, 2014

June 10, 2014

July 8, 2014

August 12, 2014

September 9, 2014

October 14, 2014

November 11, 2014

December 9, 2014

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Zerbe, HPC Member