

Marlboro Township Historic Preservation Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2018

I. Call to Order

Chairman Douglas Tilton called to order the rescheduled meeting of the MARLBORO TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION at 6:30PM on September 17, 2018, at Town Hall, Room #2. The meeting was called to order with a Salute to the Flag, and acknowledged compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

II. Roll Call

- 1) The following members were present for the meeting: Douglas Tilton, Dorothy McCue, Jack Appel, Peter Cuttone, Lynn Harold, Thom Healy, Carol Cincotta, Desi Smith
- 2) The following members were absent from the meeting: Kathleen Guth
- 3) Guest: Business Administrator Jonathan Capp

III. Corrections

None.

IV. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the August 13, 2018 meeting were accepted as corrected:

Motion to Accept: Thom Healy

Seconded: Jack Appel

V. Citizens' Voice

No members of the Public present.

VI. Business Administrator's Report – "Preserving Historic Sites"

- 1) BA Capp provided an overview of the process the Town follows when considering and/or acquiring properties under the Open Space / Farmland Preservation Act, especially those that have existing structures. He discussed recent acquisitions of the Dimeo Barn and the McCarron farm.
 - a) The demolition of the Dimeo barn was put out to bid; it is described as an "attractive nuisance".
 - b) The McCarron property is classified as Preserved Farmland; town is looking to sell to a farmer. The roof and windows have been replaced, exterminator services performed, all at Town's expense.
- 2) When considering a preservation project, taking down any existing structures is usually the first act after acquisition. The recently acquired Stattel property was an exception.

- 3) BA Capp suggested that Gail Hunton, Chief of the Land Acquisition and Design Department of the Monmouth County Park System, is a great reference to help map out what it would take if Marlboro took ownership of the Smock House at 42 Vanderburg Rd. Without a plan, the house and land become a liability.
- 4) BA Capp tasked the Historic Commission with submitting a Project Proposal. Thom Healy provided a Draft for review. Please see attached document.

VII. Committee Reports

- 1) Web Site – direct access to edit the Historic Commission’s pages on the Marlboro web site has been requested.
- 2) Historic Signs – Peter completed a survey of all 16 still-standing historic signs, and reports that all are in good condition. Two signs are missing: Hortensia and Morganville School.

VIII. Chairman’s Report

- 1) The Buckdale site plan will be discussed at the next Zone Board Meeting on September 25, 2018. At this time, due to a Builder’s Remedy decision, no further action is required from the Historic Commission.
- 2) 688 Route 520 “Van Dorn / Aristo Scrabogna” property – house and property currently owned by Adam Buchman. There are concerns about recently started construction and if it will impact the historic home on the property.

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – Thom Healy

Seconded – Peter Cuttone

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm

Due to the Columbus Day holiday, the next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Harold

Secretary