

**MINUTES
OF THE
CRANBURY TOWNSHIP
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CRANBURY, NEW JERSEY
MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission was held in Town Hall, Cranbury, New Jersey, on April 15, 2008 beginning at 7:30 pm.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-5) was provided of this meeting's date, time, place and agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Township bulletin board, mailed to those requesting personal notice and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present Bobbie Marlowe, HPC Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Wayne Girardet, Diane Stasi, Alana Stops and Bobbie Marlowe were present. Record will reflect that Harry Williams contacted secretary stating that he not be attending.

MINUTES

The minutes of the March 18, 2008 meeting were reviewed, amended and approved with a motion by Diane Stasi, second by Wayne Girardet, all in favor.

APPLICATIONS

69 North Main Street, (B25,L30) In Historic District, Classified C; Owner of property and Gil & Bert's Ice Cream, Christine Ondocin was present for a proposed cedar fence, style is Victorian 708K-4 by SWP Industries, Inc. The fence will be installed between the recently installed brick patio and an existing walk leading to the side porch and entrance.

After review and discussion, a verbal vote to approve this application as presented:

AYES: Ms. Marlowe, Mr. Girardet, and Ms. Stops. Record will reflect that Ms. Stasi recused herself from this application.

29 North Main Street (B23,L59) In Historic District; Executive Director, Marvin Preston of the Princeton Ballet Society, Inc. submitted an application to rectify a problem with rain water run off and drainage. His application proposed to attach three additional downspouts and a gutter under the existing gutter system. Bobbie informed HPC that the secretary called Mr. Preston to ask about installing a larger sized gutter. He said that the preference was for an oversized gutter to handle the load, unfortunately, they are not made. The Princeton Ballet Society hired an engineer to evaluate and conclude that doubling onto the existing gutter system would be a solution. The runoff would be channeled into a storm water seepage bed located approximately 33 feet (west) from the back of the building. This would help alleviate future water damage to the building and adjacent properties.

A verbal roll call to approve this application as present:

AYES: Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Stasi, Mr. Girardet, and Ms. Stops. All in favor

DISCUSSION

Diane attended the 15th Annual NJ History Issues Convention NJ Heritage Tourism on March 28th, at the Trenton War Memorial. There was representation from many towns who were trying to promote historic sites in or around their town. Diane informed HPC of a new State program called Wayfinding. This new NJ State program is to help tourists identify and read of local historic past. It may also identify historic roadways and lead tourists to them. She explained that NJ lacks roadside markers identifying such. Wayfinding, would be associated with Cranbury and the Crossroads of the American Revolution program.

NJ is actively seeking to promote its history to attract tourism. There are three official NJ welcome centers, one being at the Molly Pitcher truck stop on the NJ Turnpike, Cranbury.

Diane brought informational flyers; one is for the 2008 NJ Historic Preservation Conference on June 4, 2008 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick. The other is *The New Jersey Forum* regarding new research in NJ studies on November 22, 2008, at the Trenton Marriott Hotel. In addition, a brochure of The Crossroads of the American Revolution, a driving guide and map to New Jersey's revolutionary war trail and a map of the revolutionary national heritage area. These will be kept in the HPC file after review of them.

Certified Local Government (CLG): Alana called George Chidley regarding his availability to come and discuss the benefits of being CLG. They scheduled May 6th for a meeting date. Secretary will send an invite email to the Township Committee and Township Administrator. A suggestion to send Mr. Chidley a copy of Chapter 21 and Chapter 93, the annual report, a copy of the Design Guidelines (still under legal review) along with a letter informing of the idea to update the historic property survey was made. Secretary will attend to this task.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, a motion duly made by Bobbie Marlowe, seconded by Alana Stops and carried, the meeting was thereupon adjourned.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, undersigned, do hereby certify;

That I am the duly appointed secretary of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission and,

That the foregoing minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission, held on April 15, 2008 consisting of 2 pages, constitute a true and correct copy of the minutes of the said meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name on this June 3rd date of 2008.

Linda M. Scott, Recording Secretary