

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

JUNE 1, 2004
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance:

Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson/Township Committee Liaison
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Vincent Cerullo
Jane Davis
David Engebretson
Meredith Janssen
Peggy Joline
Carol McCoy
Patricia Mitchell
Betty Reilly
Ann Rippa

Absent:

Nancy L. Boylan
Harold Kilbride (excused)
Julie McGowan
Louise Whitney (excused)

1. Chairperson Burry called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, stating "The notice requirements of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law have been satisfied by forwarding a news release to the Asbury Park Press on February 3, 2003, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on June 1, 2004 at 5:30 PM, at Town Hall. The notice requirements have been posted on the Township bulletin board and a copy is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk."
2. Paragraph 3 of the minutes of May 4, 2004 should include tree removal and painting to the \$20,000 already spent. Paragraph 5 should say "Mrs. Burry stated that Mrs. Joline has the names for mailing." Mrs. Joline was not present at the meeting. Paragraph 7 says that Mr. Nolan requested that the hours for the Williamburg Christmas program be the same as in 2003, from 12-3. However, the hours in 2003 were 1-4. On a motion by Mrs. McCoy and seconded by Mrs. Trost, the minutes of the May 4, 2004 meeting were accepted as amended.
3. Mrs. Burry reported that a memo from Aimee Sweeney requests update of the Committee's minutes from September 2003 to the present.

Mrs. Burry introduced Linda Dickinson, whose home will be part of this year's House Tour. Mrs. Dickinson has displayed a keen interest in the workings of the Historical Preservation Committee.

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Mrs. Burry reported that two bids have been received for repair of the Montrose school foundation. The Township attorney asked for an additional bid, in order to remain in strict compliance with statutes governing the bid process.

Mrs. Burry noted that there are more historic markers to be installed, creating a photo opportunity.

Mrs. Burry announced that fourth and fifth homes have been secured for the Annual House Tour: the D'Antonio home and farm (formerly the Van Sickle home, on Mine Brook), and the Axelrod home, a very interesting home with many historical artifacts and beautiful grounds. The other homes are the Sheehy home, "Valhalla," on Conover Road and Crine Road, Vince Cerullo's home and Linda Dickinson's home.

4. Mrs. Joline presented the minutes of the May 25 house tour meeting, and a report on progress for the 5th Annual House Tour. Mrs. Davis will produce the tickets, this year in black and white, at a significant savings. The front will feature the Montrose School picture. Mr. Kilbride will write the history of each home for the tickets. Mrs. Janssen displayed a charming drawing she made of Mr. Cerullo's home. She will use this on the posters for the event. She will be doing a drawing of each home, to be presented by the Committee to the homeowners. Mrs. Boylan will order flowers from Greenhouse Gallery for each home. Mr. Cerullo will coordinate parking, signs, and communication with the police. Mrs. Reilly will coordinate the luncheon with Mrs. Joline. The price of the luncheon ticket will be \$13.00. Mrs. McCoy will contact the local paper to have the House Tour on the calendar of events, and help Mrs. Janssen distribute posters. Mrs. Burry will contact the Asbury Park Press and Laura Kolnoski of the Colts Neck Journal for feature articles on the houses. Mr. Burry will take black and white photos of the houses for the tickets. Each hostess will be responsible for getting volunteers to help at the homes they are assigned to.
5. Mrs. Reilly will call to find out when the Ben Franklin re-enactor might be available, and the cost for his appearance. Mrs. Burry will ask the school for their preference of dates.
6. Mrs. Burry announced that the Phalanx, Montrose School and Joshua Huddy Homestead markers will be installed this week. She will ask the Asbury Park Press to be present at the installations. Mrs. Trost will invite Laura Kolnoski.
7. Mrs. Janssen has donated to the Committee note cards decorated with a sketch she made of her home.
8. Mrs. Burry noted that the Welcome to Colts Neck signs have peeling, blistering paint and need touching up. Mr. Cerullo suggested using stain, rather than paint, on the posts. The final welcome sign, for Five Point Road at Primrose, will be coming in next week.
9. On a motion by Mrs. Trost and seconded by Ms. Rippa, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 PM. The next meeting will be MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2004, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary
(REVISED)