

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2007
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance:

Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson
James Schatzle, Township Committee Liaison
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Linda Bremer
Vincent Cerullo
Jane Davis
Linda Dickinson-Pancila
David Engebretson
Jennifer Engel
Mary Fournier
Peggy Joline
Harold Kilbride
Patricia Mitchell
Betty Reilly
Cathi Trost
Louise Whitney

Absent:

Ann Rippa

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 January 12, 2007, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on June 12, 2007 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." Mrs. Burry then led the Salute to the Flag.
2. On a motion by Mrs. Trost and seconded by Mrs. Whitney, the minutes of the May 1, 2007 meeting were accepted as submitted.
3. Mrs. Burry announced that the Monmouth County Historical Commission met on June 4 to present their 2007 Preservation Awards. Mrs. Dickinson-Pancila received an award for the continuing restoration of the Daniel Ryall House, specifically the porch. She had previously won an award for restoration of the roof and cupola. As Deputy Freeholder Director, Mrs. Burry was the program's speaker. Other award winners were a private residence in Red Bank, and Bingham Hall in Rumson, which features gardens reminiscent of Williamsburg. Three school children were awarded savings bonds for their essays about historic preservation. The nomination of the Squan Beach Life Saving Station #9 to the State and National Registers of Historic Places also was announced at that meeting.

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Regarding the Montrose School, Mrs. Burry spoke with the carpenter who is doing the restoration of the Colts Neck Reformed Church, but he does churches only. She will arrange a meeting with Mrs. Dickinson-Pancila's brother, Frank Barone, who is a Master Carpenter, to explore possibilities for restoration. Mrs. Dickinson-Pancila reported that she has spoken with Eddie Brock about landscape materials for the school, including a red maple, a dogwood, and a blue spruce. A perennial garden will be planted around the flagpole. No foundation plantings will be done until work on the exterior of the building has been completed. Arrangements to provide water to plantings need to be made. Mr. Cerullo will check ordinances to determine if a rain barrel would be permitted.

4. Ms. Terry displayed mock-ups of the display for the County Clerk's Office at the Hall of Records Outpost. The emphasis will be upon historical sites and horses. The nine vignettes will include a statuette of a polo pony, photos of Colts Neck polo, photos and a program from the Millennium Carriage Drive, and pictures of Montrose School, the Phalanx, the Reformed Church, Bucks Mill, the Colts Neck Inn and Lairds. Mrs. Whitney offered to lend a Laird's Applejack container in the form of a Revolutionary War soldier. Mr. Engebretson will lend some flour sacks for the Bucks Mill display. Mrs. Burry will secure the polo pony bronze from Duncan Thecker.
5. Monmouth County Archives and History Day will be held at the Monmouth County Library Headquarters, Manalapan, on Saturday, October 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mrs. Engel, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Trost and Mrs. Whitney will represent the Committee.
6. Mrs. Bremer reported that five places have been obtained for the house tour: the Montrose School, the DeSaye residence, "Point of View" (the Duncan Thecker barn), the Garito residence, and the Carey residence. Mr. Engebretson and Mrs. Whitney will serve as host and hostess at the Schoolhouse. Mrs. Davis will take photos and produce the tickets. The save-a-date fliers have been printed, and she and Mrs. Fournier distributed them at the Monmouth Museum. Mrs. Fournier will also distribute them at Habitat for Humanity. The mailing list has been expanded, and when people sign up they will be asked for their address so that future save-a-date notices can be mailed to them. Mrs. Bremer asked Committee members to sell at least five tickets each.
7. Mrs. Burry turned the meeting over to Mr. Kilbride, as she had to leave for another meeting. Mr. Schatzle reminded the Committee that the Township Committee meeting is having the meeting room renovated, and needs the Committee's input. There was consensus that the trim color should remain the same. Mr. Kilbride advised that the paint probably comes from Martin Senour. Mrs. Burry will advise the Township Committee in her capacity as Township Historian.
8. On a motion by Mrs. Joline and seconded by Mrs. Fournier, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 PM. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 7, 2007, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary