

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2013
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance:

Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson
Jim Schatzle, Township Committee Liaison
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Susan Baker
Jane Davis
Jennifer Engel
Harold Kilbride
Patricia Mitchell
Maggie Osmulski
Ann Rippa
Frank Rizzuto

Absent:

Patricia Eastman (excused)
Cindy Feury (excused)
Mary Fournier (excused)
Laura Kolnoski (excused)
Toni Morello (excused)
Louise Whitney (excused)

1. Mrs. 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 7, 2013, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on August 6, 2013 at 5:30 PM, at the 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. Davis and seconded by Mr. Kilbride, the minutes of the June 11, 2013 meeting were accepted as submitted.
3. Mrs. Burry reported that research needs to be done on the history of The Old Grange. Louise Whitney has arranged a donation in the amount of \$2,027.00 from the Colts Neck Historical Society for a roadside marker. Once the research is complete, the text for the marker can be written and the marker ordered.

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Mrs. Burry announced that the theme for this year's Archives & History Day will be Prohibition. The Colts Neck display will feature Laird's Distillery, which holds US Distillery License No. 1, and was permitted to continue distilling spirit "for medicinal purposes" during Prohibition. It is said that bathtub gin was produced at a site on the southwest corner of Phalanx and Laird Roads, and blew up during the process.

Mrs. Burry reported that Tricia Barth, the Principal of the Primary School inquired whether it would be possible to have a re-enactor visit the Primary School. Mr. Schatzle offered to have Ms. Barth contact Mrs. Burry.

Mrs. Burry reported that a thank-you gift is being ordered for Chris Short, in gratitude for his donation of a new slate roof Montrose School at no charge to the Township for materials or labor. It is hoped that this will be ready to present to Mr. Short at the next meeting. Mrs. Burry is considering an inscribed plate with a picture of the school, from Folio Art Glass. The Monmouth County Historical Association will be filming at the Montrose School on August 15. The Association is planning a video about 19th century schooling.

4. Mrs. Burry reported that the owner of an exceptional home in Colts Neck has agreed to show her house on the House Tour to be held on Saturday, October 5. Mrs. Burry will also request the present owner of the former Barth home to participate. Besides these homes, the Russos have agreed to show Swan Pond Farm, and the Montrose School and Town Hall will be open. It is hoped that Mrs. Kolnoski will be able to get a train layout for the Town Hall. Mrs. Morello and Mr. Rizzuto will contact the owners of Old St. Mary's to request that they participate. Mrs. Burry appointed sub-committees as follows:

Public Relations/Advertising:	Mrs. Kolnoski and Mrs. Feury
Printing/Posters/Program/Road Signs:	Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Fournier, Mrs. Mitchell
Ticket Sales	Mrs. Burry, Mr. Rizzuto, Mrs. Engel, Mrs. Osmulski
Recruitment of Tour Personnel:	Mrs. Feury and Mrs. Morello
Decorations:	Ms. Rippa & Mr. Kilbride

The ticket price will be \$30.00; \$25.00 for seniors. Children and cameras will not be permitted.

5. On a motion by Mrs. Baker and seconded by Mrs. Kolnoski, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 PM. The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, September 4, 2013**, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary