

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2013
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance: Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson
Jim Schatzle, Township Committee Liaison
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Susan Baker
Jennifer Engel
Cindy Feury
Mary Fournier
Harold Kilbride
Laura Kolnoski
Patricia Mitchell
Toni Morello
Frank Rizzuto

Absent: Jane Davis (excused)
Patricia Eastman (excused)
Maggie Osmulski (excused)
Ann Rippa (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 February 5, 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. Mrs. Burry introduced Cindy Feury, a new Committee member, who has served for several years on the Architecture Review Board. Mrs. Burry offered a welcome back to Jim Schatzle, who served as Township Committee liaison in 2007.

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3. Mrs. Burry issued the Oath of Office to Mrs. Feury, Mrs. Mitchell, and Mrs. Morello.
4. On a motion by Mrs. Baker and seconded by Mrs. Kolnoski, Mrs. Burry was re-elected Chairperson. On a motion by Mrs. Morello and seconded by Mrs. Fournier, Mr. Kilbride was re-elected Vice-Chairperson. On a motion by Mrs. Burry and seconded by Mrs. Morelli, Ms. Terry was re-appointed as Secretary.
5. On a motion by Mrs. Kolnoski and seconded by Mr. Kilbride, the minutes of the December 4, 2012 meeting were accepted, with the correction that the Court House was the meeting location.
6. Mrs. Burry introduced the 2013 Proposed Budget. There were no Special Events expenditures in 2012 because there was no House Tour, which is the major source of income for the Committee. The cost of a re-enactor for 2012 was met through donations to the Trust Fund, and although the appearance was postponed until 2013 due to Hurricane Sandy, an additional appearance this autumn was put into the 2013 budget. Mr. Schatzle remarked that hurricane expenses fall outside the budget cap, and that the Township Committee expects FEMA reimbursement for these expenses. Mrs. Burry noted that the County's Shared Services program benefits the Township, as exemplified by the dredging of the pond in front of Township Hall. Mrs. Burry suggested that the 9/11 memorial might be an appropriate recipient for funding, if available.

Mrs. Burry announced that Louise Whitney has been officially named Member Emeritus of the Committee.

Mrs. Burry confirmed that the appearance of the Ulysses S. Grant re-enactor has been rescheduled for February 26, 2013, at **12:30 PM**, at the Cedar Drive School. She urged all Committee members to attend, if possible.

Mrs. Burry requested that Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Morello assist Ms. Rippa in hosting the Spring Reception. Mrs. Engel offered to arrange for musical entertainment. The event will be held at the Montrose School on Sunday, April 28 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.

Mrs. Burry announced that Weekend in Old Monmouth will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 4 and 5. The event features over 40 historic sites in the county. She also announced that the Monmouth County Archives and History Day will be held on Saturday, October 12, at the County Library Headquarters on Symmes Road in Manalapan.

Mrs. Burry suggested that the Committee consider hosting a re-enactor at Cedar Drive School during the autumn. Mrs. Burry reported that she was greatly impressed by a Philip Freneau re-enactor who performed at the Annual Meeting of the Monmouth County Historical Association. Freneau, who lived in the Point Pleasant section of Matawan, was known as "The Poet of the Revolution," and was very influential in events of that time.

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Mrs. Burry reported that she had received a notice from Senator Caroline Casagrande announcing that informational meetings will be held regarding applications for historic preservation general operating grants. The next meeting is from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM on February 13 at the Alexander Library at Rutgers.

7. Mrs. Burry announced that there are three sites lined up for the House Tour: old St. Mary's Church, the Russo estate, and the Montrose School. Mr. Schatzle suggested that the Town Hall be included on the tour, and might feature an historic display in the meeting room. Mrs. Engel suggested that this site should include the 9/11 memorial. Mrs. Burry requested that Mrs. Feury and Mrs. Kolnoski work together to manage publicity. Mrs. Burry requested that a save-a-date notice be sent to local historical organizations. Mrs. Mitchell offered to investigate the possibility of a large banner notice that might be hung across the County road. Mrs. Fournier offered to work with Mrs. Mitchell on signs. Mrs. Burry requested that Mr. Rizzuto work with her to coordinate the participants. Mrs. Burry emphasized that all committee members must participate fully in ticket sales. The Tour will be held on Saturday, October 5.
8. On a motion by Mrs. Engel and seconded by Mrs. Feury, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary