

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2012
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance:

Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson
Jarrett Engel, Township Committee Liaison
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Susan Baker
Jane Davis
Patricia Eastman
Mary Fournier
Harold Kilbride
Patricia Mitchell
Maggie Osmulski
Frank Rizzuto
Bud Wheeler

Absent:

Jennifer Engel
Laura Kolnoski (excused)
Toni Morello (excused)
Ann Rippa
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 9, 2012, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on May 1, 2012 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. Fournier and seconded by Mrs. Baker, the minutes of the April 17, 2012 meeting were accepted.
3. Mrs. Burry reported that over seven tons of food was collected by the Monmouth County Food Drive, spearheaded by the Monmouth County Library System Food for Fines Program, to support the Food Bank of Monmouth County. An article and photograph will be published in the June Journal.

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Mrs. Burry reported that the order has been placed for refurbishing of the "Welcome to Colts Neck" signs, and awaiting only the deposit. A Public Works employee will remove the signs from the posts, and deliver them to the sign company. They should be completed within a month. The Boy Scouts should be contacted to wash and paint the posts. Mr. Rizzuto reminded Mrs. Burry about the importance of using special safety bolts, and offered to contact Public Works about this. Mrs. Burry noted that there are currently no funds to replace the three missing signs.

Mrs. Burry reminded the Committee members that the Weekend in Old Monmouth will be held on the coming weekend. The sites are open to visitors on Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6. Admission is free. Booklets and tour maps were distributed.

Mrs. Burry announced that the House Tour will be held on Saturday, October 6. She requested Mr. Rizzuto to act as chair of the subcommittee, and he agreed. The subcommittee members will be Mrs. Burry, Mrs. Engel, Mrs. Fournier, Mr. Kilbride, and Mrs. Morello, as well as Mr. Rizzuto. Mrs. Burry suggested trying to get David Barclay to show his home for the 100th anniversary of Delicious Orchards. Mr. Kilbride will try to sign up Chestnut Rise for the Tour. Mrs. Davis suggested the homes on Bray Street.

4. Mrs. Burry reported that she had proofread the Historic Colts Neck brochure, and confirmed that the original Laird's was behind the Colts Neck Inn. Linda Bremer's home was the Laird home. She will have the brochure corrected prior to printing.
5. Mrs. Burry offered kudos to Mr. Rizzuto and his wife, who hosted the Spring Reception at their home on April 22. The weather that day was "frightful," but the party was cozy with the fireplace alight. She remarked that people showed great enthusiasm for the house and what the Rizzutos have done since they moved there. She is familiar with the house, as she listed it previously.
6. Mr. Wheeler reported that he hopes to have a Flag Retirement ceremony on Flag Day, Thursday, June 14. Boy Scout Troop 290 would conduct the event. Mr. Wheeler would like to have replacement flags available.
7. Archives Day will be on Saturday, October 13, and the Committee will have a table. Mrs. Osmulski initiated discussion of the possibility for a permanent Colts Neck history display. Mr. Engel announced that he hopes to have members of all Township committees marching in the Memorial Day parade to honor the troops. He thanked Freeholder Burry for the promptness with which the county repaired a large pothole in Montrose Road.
8. On a motion by Mrs. Kolnoski and seconded by Mr. Rizzuto, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 12, 2012, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary