

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2011
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance: Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Patricia Eastman
Jennifer Engel
Mary Fournier
Harold Kilbride
Laura Kolnoski
Lucy Lennox
Patricia Mitchell
Toni Morello
Maggie Osmulski
Frank Rizzuto

Absent: Ed Eastman, Township Committee Liaison (excused)
Jane Davis (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, 2011, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on November 1, 2011 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. Morello and seconded by Mrs. Osmulski, the minutes of the October 4, 2011 meeting were accepted.
3. Mrs. Burry announced that the Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton re-enactors will appear for a debate at the Middle School at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2011. Mrs. Burry offered kudos to the committee members, and especially Mr. Rizzuto, for the outstanding Halloween Festival. Collection was \$420.00 from the Poe Event, and \$2,315.00 from the Bucks Mill Event. A total of \$2,735.00 has been deposited into the Historical Preservation Trust Fund. Expenses to date total \$660.00. Mrs. Burry remarked that the Montrose School looked wonderful, and she has sent a letter of thanks to Girl Scout Katelyn Saeger for her work in organizing clean-up and restoration of the Schoolhouse grounds. Mrs. Kolnoski will write a sidebar about Katelyn. Mr. Rizzuto will provide names of others who deserve thank-you letters.

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4. Mrs. Kolnoski reported that she needs the originals of the art work for the Historic Colts Neck brochure, as the beige background and the folds in the existing brochure have a negative effect on reproduction. The art work is going to cost an additional \$250.00.
5. Mrs. Burry reported that the performance by the Edgar Allan Poe re-enactor was excellent, and well received by the audience. The setting at the Montrose School, with the décor provided by Mrs. Engel, Mrs. Fournier and Mrs. Morello, was perfect. Mrs. Burry reported that ticket sales were difficult. Upon speculation on possible cemetery visitation/re-enactment for next year, Mrs. Lennox remarked that she had already researched the residents of historic Atlantic Cemetery and would be able to write scripts for re-enactors.

Mr. Rizzuto reported that the Halloween Festival at Bucks Mill Park was a sell-out, with the parking lot filled to capacity. The hay wagons for the haunted hay ride had double lines waiting at all times. The very popular laser tag was donated. Refreshments sold out, and Mrs. Rizzuto made a run to Delicious Orchards, where she convinced them to sell additional supplies to her at half price. Mrs. Burry urged everyone not to delay in sending in invoices for expenses. Mrs. Burry remarked that the event was so enormously successful that the Fire Department wants to run the Festival next year, and Thom Hennessy told her he believes it should be the bailiwick of the Recreation Department. Mrs. Osmulski stressed that the biggest win of the day was the immense good will created in the community.

6. Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Osmulski will host a Holiday Party at Mrs. Mitchell's home on Sunday, December 11, from 5 to 8 PM. A sign-up was distributed for guests to declare what they would bring for refreshments.
7. Mr. Rizzuto announced that Professor Richard Veit wants to hold his archeology field school in Colts Neck next year, possibly at the Phalanx. Mrs. Burry reminded him that he will need permission from the property owners.
8. On a motion by Mrs. Engel and seconded by Mrs. Fournier, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 6, 2011, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary