

COLTS NECK HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2012
5:30 PM, TOWNSHIP HALL

In Attendance:

Lillian G. Burry, Chairperson
Ellen Terry, Secretary
Susan Baker
Jane Davis
Patricia Eastman
Mary Fournier
Harold Kilbride
Patricia Mitchell
Toni Morello
Maggie Osmulski
Ann Rippa

Absent

Jarrett Engel, Township Committee Liaison
Jennifer Engel
Laura Kolnoski (excused)
Louise Whitney (excused)
Frank Rizzuto (excused)
Bud Wheeler (excused)

1. Mrs. Burry called the meeting to order at 7:30 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 November 27, 2012, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on December 4, 2012 at 7:30 PM, at the Courthouse. 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. Kolnoski and seconded by Mrs. Baker, the minutes of the November 13, 2012 meeting were accepted as submitted.
3. Mrs. Burry reported on reappointments. A letter will be sent to the Mayor requesting Emeritus status for Louise Whitney, as well as endorsing reappointments. Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Morelli accepted reappointment. Mr. Wheeler has declined reappointment. Mrs. Burry will contact Cindy Feury to inquire if Mrs. Feury is interested in being appointed to this Committee. Mrs. Burry announced that a decision regarding the date of reorganization is still pending.

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Mrs. Burry announced that the appearance of the Ulysses S. Grant re-enactor has been rescheduled for February 5, 2013, at 1:00 PM, at the Cedar Drive School. She urged all Committee members to attend, if possible. Mrs. Burry announced that this program is one of the most important events that the Committee sponsors, and she intends to reach out and appeal by letter to the sense of charity of people in the Township who might be able to donate to the Trust Fund.

Mrs. Burry indicated that she is unable inability to attend the Christmas Party scheduled for December 14 at Mrs. Osmulski's home, and others have conflicts with this date. Mrs. Osmulski tentatively changed the date to Sunday, January 6, at 5:00 PM.

Mrs. Burry initiated discussion regarding the Committee Mission Statement, and possible Committee plans for 2013. She emphasized that the Committee was formed for the purpose of preserving history and educating the public about history. Further, she remarked that Colts Neck is rich in history, and sits within the Crossroads of the Revolution. Mrs. Burry recalled that the Montrose School is supported by the Township's dedicated tax for open space and historical preservation, and has received grants from the County Historical Preservation Commission. Mrs. Burry declared that there should be a program through which the School is opened to the public on a regular, perhaps monthly, basis.

Mrs. Osmulski spoke of the disappointing conclusion to her lengthy discussions and negotiations with the school system, but agreed that there should, ultimately, be programs for Township students. Mrs. Osmulski had consulted with the chair of the Freehold Township Historical Commission, who had experienced similar difficulties in trying to present programs to the schools. It was suggested that the interest of the educational establishment might be piqued through a series of successful and interesting programs for the general public at Montrose School. Suggestions included re-enactors, including a Minuteman, and tours of local historic sites and historic graveyards, and costumed docents. Ms. Terry offered to sew costumes.

4. On a motion by Mrs. Morello and seconded by Mrs. Davis, the schedule of meetings for 2013 was adopted, and is attached to these minutes.
5. On a motion by Mr. Kilbride and seconded by Mrs. Baker, the meeting was adjourned at 8:56 PM. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 5, 2013, at 5:30 PM at Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary

**COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
2013 MEETING SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, February 5, 2013

Tuesday, March 5, 2013

Tuesday, April 2, 2013

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Tuesday, June 11, 2013

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

Tuesday, September 3, 2013

Tuesday, October 1, 2013

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

Tuesday, December 3, 2013