

Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

6:30 PM, Colts Neck Town Hall

In Attendance: Lillian Burry Chairperson, Frank Rizzuto Township Committee Liaison, Michele Battista, Secretary, Shirley Miller, Dalton Hamlin, Patty Eastman, Patricia Mitchell, Mary Fournier, Jessica Tobia, & Mary Pahira

Absent: Joanna Connelly, Susan Baker, Maggie Osmulski, Jim Schatzle, Janine Strafaci Pinguelo, & Ann Rippa – all excused

1. Mrs. Burry called the meeting to order at 6:47 PM stating “The notice requirements of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law have been satisfied by forwarding a news release to the Asbury Park Press on December 19, 2018, stating that a meeting of the Colts Neck Historical Preservation Committee would be held on March 12, 2019, at 6:30 PM at the Colts Neck Library Small Meeting Room. 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. Eastman, and seconded by Mrs. Mitchell, the minutes of the November 13, 2018 meeting were accepted as modified.
3. Mrs. Burry stated that Mrs. Morello resigned and wants to send a letter of thanks for her years of service.
4. Mrs. Burry swore in the following members for their new terms: Mrs. Burry, Mrs. Tobia, Mrs. Mitchell, and Mrs. Pahira.
5. Regarding meeting attendance, Mrs. Burry will ask members if they are sincere about being on this committee. The committee concurs. Mrs. Mitchell said she agrees with Mrs. Burry. If members step down, then we should be able to accommodate the 3 people that submitted forms to the township.
6. Country Christmas on Dec 8th from 1 to 4pm Co-Chairs: Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Eastman and Mrs. Pahira
 - Need new extension cords for inside
7. Mrs Burry asked Mr Rizzuto when the new “Welcome to Colts Neck” sign would be ordered for Rt 537 by rt 18 by DPW.
8. Mrs. Burry met Principal Rigby at the 50th anniversary of Conover Rd School, who requested Hamilton for the next reenactor. The students loved the interaction with Freeholder Burry and Thomas Jefferson. Mrs. Burry mentioned that HPC hired a Philip Freneau reenactor out of the Holmdel theater group in the past. Also, an Edgar Allen Poe reenactor around Halloween and charged \$25 a ticket. HPC should plan a program on the history of the Phalanx.
9. Mrs. Burry said the Conover Rd Marker (#13) was delivered and would like to schedule the ribbon cutting on Monday, May 6th. Mrs. Burry & Mr. Rizzuto will invite Garrett Thompson who will be 100 at the end of the year whose Mother was a Conover.
10. Mrs. Burry mentioned she received a call asking what makes a house historic. It is the site that makes a place historic.
11. Weekend In Old Monmouth: Co-Chairs: Mrs Burry & Mrs Eastman
 - a. Mrs. Battista will request DPW to move the desks & chairs back and mow the lawn by May 1st

- b. Mrs. Eastman will get books & lawn signs from county (3 in shed)
 - c. Mrs. Eastman will get small water bottles and Mrs. Pahira will get apples, and make banana bread
 - d. Cleaning crew will meet on Friday May 3rd
 - e. Mrs. Burry will invite Shirley Anderson, principal emeritus
12. The Montrose Schoolhouse planned updates:
- a. The windows should be repaired and should be the responsibility of DPW. Mrs. Burry said Dave Paulson did a lot of work for us in the past. Committeeman Rizzuto will handle.
 - b. Purchase a shed but need to involve town for setbacks.
13. HPC will not be hosting a Sept 11th service
14. Mrs. Burry will be the Guest of Honor at the Ocean Township Historical Society Gala at the Deal Country Club. Mrs. Burry will invite the committee and Mrs. Mitchell when the details become available.
15. Mr. Rizzuto will follow up with Shade tree for the promised American Holly. It was stated that Jen Alexrod will donate the tree.
16. On a motion by Mrs. Fournier, and seconded by Mrs. Miller, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 9, 2018, at 6:30 PM at the Library Large Meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,
Michele Battista
Secretary