

FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2022

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by J. Luongo. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law (Chapter 231 P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced by posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building reserved for that purpose, by sending such notice to the offices of the official newspaper of the Township and filing such notice with the Township Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Joe Luongo, Meg Thomann, Cheryl Cook Polverino, Todd Caissie, Michael Berman, Neil Garguilo, David Seme, Kevin Marshall

Absent: Cody Brooke

Michael Berman was appointed temporary Chairman in order to reorganize. Calls for nomination from the floor indicated votes for Joe Luongo to continue as Chair of the FTHPC. Joe accepted the nomination and nominated Cheryl Polverino for the position as Vice-Chair of the FTHPC. All voted were unanimous and she accepted the position.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Cookie approved the minutes from December meeting and Neil seconded the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE: Miscellaneous correspondence from MCHC. Cookie, acting in her position as Township Historian as well as liaison between the Heritage Society and the Commission, produced her "2021 Report from Township Historian Re: Accomplishments of Historic Preservation Commission."

NEW BUSINESS: Discussed voluminous number of artifacts donated by Monmouth County via Richard Grubb. Cookie, Joe and David agreed to sift through the boxes and sort the wheat from the chaff. Joe reported that the Henderson Barn restoration project is imminent. Area yet to be cleared. No signage yet. Discussed the burning of 260 Burlington Road, one of the Township's Historic resources, not landmarked, however. At this point it is not determined if it is salvageable. Awaiting demolition permit, or response from authorities regarding disposition of property. Discussed NJ Historic Trust grants for privately owned historic resources in need of upgrade and renovation, specifically the Jesse Parker Farm. Consensus was that grants with no matching funds were not available. CLG grant through SHPO for National Register nomination for the Georgia Road school is due Friday.

HERITAGE SOCIETY: Completed calendar for 2022. Starting March, meetings will be held on Saturdays, followed by some sort of program. Weekend in Old Monmouth on track for April 30/May 1. Yard sale April 16. Center Players will perform "Meet the Oakleys" at the Pavilion in the summer, and will also conduct a program for children in early fall, thereby fulfilling their obligation to the Heritage Society. At Oakley, AGC proposed repairing woodshed roof for \$2850., the fascia for \$250., \$1900. for gazebo repair. DPW to clear area around woodshed. AGC also offered to repair Georgia Road porch stairway riser for \$1400. Plus \$800 to seal the porch. Oakley rental fee schedule revised.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussed future budget considerations. Kevin discussed potential sites for historical signage.

Motion to adjourn was made by Cookie and seconded by Meg.

