

Yorktown Heritage Preservation Commission

Zoom Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2021

Present: Lynn Briggs, Tom McLoughlin, Christine Sisler, Nancy Milanese, Bridget Krowe, Terry Nauman

Excused: Brendan Murphy, Adam Fetzer. Ed Pell, deceased.

Minutes approved by Tom McLoughlin and Christine Sisler

1. Word was received that Board Member Edwin Pell passed away in August at his summer home in Deer Isle, Maine. Terry will write a tribute to Ed for the local press. Lynn will send a request to the Supervisor to acknowledge Ed in conjunction with the Hyatt Cemetery.

2. HPC Available Funds

-82.0001	\$562.42
-82-002	\$3219.00
-8020.0479.0005	\$2500.00
Total	\$6281

3. Storage Solution for YHPC Historical Documents

Lynn has rented a monthly storage space at Cube Smart on Route 202. Items from her garage were moved there on Tuesday.

4. Public Outreach Programs

This Man's a Spy will continue

2022 plans developed and cost estimates provided

Lynn to request \$17K from the Board of Legislators, all onto what they already agreed to.

Request \$3850 from the Town of Yorktown to fund the above

5. Fund Raising and Grants

No activity

6. Proposed Homes of Distinction

Douglas Dill's House. Terry completed and circulated the application. Terry did a terrific article on Croton Heights that will appear in the local paper. YHPC approved to move forward.

7. Proposed Landmarks

Isaac Underhill House: Draft application completed. Lynn had conversation with the homeowner. They are reviewing the town code. Concerned about limitations on future exterior construction. Lynn emailed code and they are reviewing their options. (Landmark, HHD or national register listing).

Hilltop Hanover Farm – County funded consultants to build a master plan. Lynn attended stakeholder visioning workshop on Friday, November 5th and shared aspects of research Terry had completed. The criteria meets three out of five landmarking criteria: 1, 2, 5.

Underhill Farm fka Soundview. The Soundview sections of the application has been completed. Draft of Beaver Conference Center done. Lynn finalized advocacy letter. Each request is customized. So far, she has received five responses.

-Received adverse effect letter under 14.09 from state (appended)

-Assessed website, sent link/email to public-private partnership, Foiled Town of Yorktown's public private partnership with Soundview..."Per the Town Attorney, there is no such public-private partnership.

<https://underhillfarmyorktown.com/>

8. Student Research Projects

-launched at the Yorktown Museum: goal: retrofitting landmark applications as historic files slim;

-Jennie Steinhagen submitted landmark applications for Lane's Tavern and Community Church.

-Tom Arduini dropped out of the program per Alan Stauber and he did not receive his certificate. He was working on Congregational Parsonage and Amawalk Friends Meeting House.

-Lynn met with Jennie Steinhagen on October 18 and appended her documents for review and comment.

9. Certificates of Appropriateness

No activity

10. Design District Overlay Law

Lynn submitted a request to the Town Board on May 28 requesting a "work session" to address the HPC issues and recommendations before the final version of the DDOZ law is advertised for a public hearing. HPC waiting for RFP results and vendor selections to assess environmental impacts with a target of October.

11. Bronze Markers

Presently these are stored at Parks and Recreation Building at Sparkle Lake. Lynn wants to wait until for a design to execute installation. Hold a recognition event when conditions permit. She'll contact Jim Martorano for a storage extension until the spring.

Next group designated for new markers are Davenport House, Congregational Church, Lane's Tavern and Community Church.

12. CLIO

- profiles pending authenticated research on landmarks

13. Website and Facebook – Jessica Cox

- Robyn Steinberg of the Planning Dept. must execute any changes to the photos/copy of HHDs and landmarks (ARCGIS) (scrolls)

- Upload additional Certificate of Appropriateness

- Update and optimize the menu to be clearer (easier access to HHD and Landmarks scroll, separate out section for applications, tuck less frequently used pages under a heading.

- Change bullets and adjust where the print option appears on each page. Currently in a different place on each page.

- Populate Public Outreach Page

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm

Nancy Milanese