

Yorktown Heritage Preservation Commission

Zoom Meeting

April 14, 2021

1. Minutes approved by Bridge Krowe and Christine Sisler

2. HPC Available Funds

-82.0001 \$562.42

-82-002 \$5128.40

-8020.0479.0005 \$2500.00

Public Outreach Programs - need to select the next bronze marker candidates. Consider Community Church. Amawalk Friends Meeting House, Davenport House, Congregational Parsonage.

Active: Student research to complete our landmark applications at the Yorktown Museum via a vis WCCC Program Coordinator, Alan Strauber, four course curriculum.

Yorktown 250/This Man's A Spy – planning local events with volunteers, 5/23 status checkpoint (Andreas Miller site, Isaac Underhill House, Strange Tavern)

Community Church marker cleaning kicking off 3rd year. Trish Sullivan Rothberg donated the remaining supplies for the Eagle Scout project which was completed at the Amawalk Friends Meeting House also donated 5 gallons of the D-2 biological cleaning solution to continue the project.

Shrub Oak International School – Adam and Lynn working with CEO and HR leader, Lori Joseph, to document the deed history of four properties on the site for potential recognition.

Fund Raising Status & Grants

HPC not applying for CLG Grant due to lack of resources to write grant which is due April 2, 2021.

Proposed Homes of Distinction – John O'Donnell reported the property next to his was sold. This included the General Purpose Building, Status of Permits. According to Building Dept. no permit issued.

Proposed Landmarks – Isaac Underhill House – Awaiting owner acceptance to Zoom meeting to discuss recognition opportunities, potential tie in with 4th grade Revolutionary War lesson that Brendan is developing. **Underhill Farms** – still not reply from Planning for a tour date to see inside structures including main building, outbuildings. On 3/13 Lynn email Town Board to landmark and partner with HPC. Did not declare scope of landmarking. 13.8 parking land, 10 outbuildings, vernacular farm house, Italianate mansion. Lynn processed National Register eligibility applicate and submitted it on 4/23. Expect response by 5/28. Landmark application virtually ready for final edit and submission.

DECISION: Should we submit the landmark application? To Unicorn? Or directly to the Town Board? If so when? What is the scope?

Certificate of Appropriateness – Processed CoA for the First Presbyterian Church of Yorktown to add safety pole lights that exist in the church's parking lot.

Design District Overlay Law and Zones – Sent our findings and recommendations to the Town Clerk on April 12th. Observed Town Board work session discussion on April 13 (no substantive discussion regarding the submitted issues. Next Steps- planning discussing agency feedback May 11th. Likely outcome-either modify the law and re-refer or go to public hearing.

Bronze Markers – Markers and poles stored at 176 Granite Springs Road (Parks & Rec). Nancy processing payments. Only Shipman (\$1909) coming from HPC. John Tegeder funding two and YCCC being paid by Devito Foundation. HPC received DOT response to breakaway component for pole on state roads; onerous and time consuming with permits. It's best to place markers on private property. HPC needs to begin planning installation and site recognition events.

CLIO – Brendan led 60 minute workshop and conducted tutorial at Westchester County Historical Society on 4/22. Next step is to complete student research with WCCC for landmarks so CLIO templates and custom tours can be completed.

Public Relations – Louis Mastro former home, 1952 Commerce Street, last remaining Victorian era home along Commerce Street destined to be demolished. Terry drafting

HPC Facebook Status – Jessica Cox reported on demo Facebook progress. She's working on short term plan of story maps and photos from website and longer term plans.

HPC Website – Jessica, Terry and Lynn are updating story maps and photos for 6 landmarks and 13 HHDs.

New Steps – Complete story maps and photo updates (Terry, Jessica, and John Vechiolla)

Add Gallery of photos from events, consider reducing copy and relying on YouTube videos