

Historic Preservation Commission
BOROUGH OF CLOSTER, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Monday,
May 23rd, 2011

Ms. Rothschild, Chair called the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission of the Borough of Closter, New Jersey held on Monday, May 23rd, 2011 in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall to order at 8:07PM. She stated that the meeting was being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey and had been advertised in the newspaper according to law. Ms. Rothschild invited all persons present to join the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following HPC members were present at the meeting:

Ms. Rothschild
Ms. Stella
Mr. Tobia
Mr. Lobosco
Mr. Adriance
Mr. Radick
Mr. Davida
Mr. Kashwick (Council Liaison)

The following HPC members were absent from the meeting:

Ms. Bouton Goldberg
Ms. Rubenfeld-Waldron

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Ms. Stella and seconded by Mr. Radick to approve minutes of April 25th, 2011. All present were in favor of approval.

Open Meeting to the Public

Mr. Buechler of 45 Van Horn Street updated the Commission on the proposed Eagle Scout project (re: the Nagle Auryansen Cemetery). Mr. Davida stated that he met with Mr. Buechler regarding proposed project. The Commission continued to discuss project specifically speaking of the removal of tree stump. Mr. Tobia suggested that Ken's tree care remove the tree stump. Mr. Davida stated that he received the purchase order for the stockade fence.

Correspondence List

Incoming: 2011 Historic Preservation Commendation Awards Ms. Rothschild reminded the Commission the award program will take place this Thursday, May 26th.

Outgoing: Ms. Rothschild stated she sent a copy of By-Laws to Mr. Hoffman of Emerson.

Old Business:

1-Ms. Rothschild reminded the Commission of the Bergen County Awards Ceremony

2-119 Hickory Lane

The Commission discussed Mr. Spizziri being informed when the ordinance change is on the Mayor & Council agenda. Ms. Rothschild asked Mr. Kashwick to remind the Council to include on agenda and to notify HPC of date.

3- Street Signs

Ms. Stella stated that the new signs have been installed and also spoke of her research for upcoming signs. Ms. Stella suggested a date be set for Commission members who will be involved in signage to meet. The subcommittee (consisting of Mr. Lobosco, Mr. Radick, and Ms. Stella) decided to meet on Thursday, June 02.

4- Borough Hall architectural review-

Ms. Rothschild stated that a contract is signed at this point. (No additional reports)

5- Ms. Rothschild prepared a report regarding Zoning Board application for multi-family use variance at 268 West Street. The Commission discussed.

6- The Commission briefly mentioned an article in the Suburbanite.

7- Ms. Rothschild handed out an explanation, prepared by the SHPO, of the MLUL and its relationship to the Historic Element of the Master Plan.

8- Future proposals for designation

Lustron- Ms. Stella stated she spoke to the library regarding showing the Lustron film there and stated she would like this to take place close to Veteran's Day. Mr. Tobia stated he would be involved.

No additional reports were given at this time.

Liaison Reports

Council- Mr. Kashwick stated that the Mayor & Council approved the Eagle Scout project and that the Borough Administrator complimented Mr. Beuchler on material presented.

Planning Board- Ms. Stella mentioned the applications that are present at the Board and also spoke of LEED certification and of the proposed conservation zone.

Improvement Commission- Ms. Stella spoke of an upcoming craft fair. At this point, a decision has not been made if the fair will take place.

Sign Ordinance Committee- Mr. Lobosco commented on the Sign Ordinance meetings and stated that at this point, nothing has been accomplished. The Commission discussed existing business signs in the downtown area and also discussed temporary signs.

Environmental Commission- Ms. Bouton Goldberg was absent. No comments

New Business:

1- Mr. Adriance spoke of the Chamber of Commerce meeting he attended.

2- Ms. Stella suggested that each member mention (at each meeting) what courses/lectures they have attended.

3- Mr. Davida updated the Commission regarding cemetery trees and spoke of the three bids he received (all quoted for six trees and eight stumps.) Motion was made by Mr. Adriance and seconded by Ms. Stella regarding choosing Ken's Tree Care (with mentioned notifications) for cemetery tree removal. All present were in favor. Ms. Stella asked about the condition of the Bergen County blue signs located in County. Mr. Adriance responded speaking of the maintenance of signs.

4- The Commission spoke of the restored Nagle deed. Mr. Adriance reported on deed and distributed his interpretation of this document.

Motion was made by Ms. Stella and seconded by Mr. Tobia to adjourn meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 9:42 PM.
