



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 21, 2022 - 7:30 PM

Virtual Webex Meeting

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Roll Call

Class A Commissioners

Karen Marlowe, Vice Chair

Anina Rossen - ABSENT

Class B Commissioners

Jacob Levine, Chair

Amy Dahn

Gretchen Schumann

David Wright

Jason Martinek - ABSENT

Alternates

Greg Spreeman (Class A) - ABSENT

Julie McCourt (Class B)

Summer Jones, Trustee Liaison

William Sullivan, Commission Counsel

Ogetti Davis, Recording Secretary

2. Meeting Notice Statement

Chair Levine read the following statement

Adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the press in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A 10:4-6. In addition, notice of this meeting was posted in Village Hall and on the Village's website, and has been filed in the Office of the Village Clerk. Official action may be taken.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular meeting held on March 17, 2022



Mr. Wright moved to approve the minutes of March 17, 2022 as amended, seconded by Ms. Marlowe. All members were in favor and none opposed.

4. New Business

Trustee Jones discussed a request from the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office regarding the modification to the interior elevator installation at the South Orange Public Library. The commissioners discussed the proposed changes to the elevator and doors and agreed for Mr. Sullivan to send a letter of support in regards to those changes.

Trustee Jones mentioned this board will be asked for a letter of support in regards to the upcoming Library project. Ms. Faherty Library Director will attend an upcoming meeting of this to go over the proposed plans.

5. Old Business

Trustee Jones discussed the following updates:

- A. Baird Update – There are some repairs needed to the chimney so there will be a Change Order on at an upcoming Board of Trustee's meeting. The project is still on target for completion in December 2022.
- B. Library Update – The Connett building project is moving along and they will be looking for an architect draw up plans for the Library Grant.
- C. 167 North Ridgewood Road Update – Looks like it is progressing with the project.

Also, the majority of the construction for Village Hall will be complete in June but there is no opening date as of yet.

6. Discussion/Follow Up/Action Items

- A. Trustee Report
 - The 2022 Municipal Budget will be introduced at the April 25th Board of Trustee's meeting
 - There was a community discussion at the Father Vincent Monella Culture Center located at 133 Fairview Avenue. The architect has a lot of historic photos of the building and is hoping to restore some of the interior such as the atrium.



- Trustee Jones spoke with Ms. Doran Deputy Administrator in regards to applying for the CLG (Certified Local Government Grant Program). The administration is having the documents review by the legal attorneys and hopes to have an answer by next month.
- Trustee Jones will follow up on the exterior of Village Hall on the South Orange Avenue side.

Mr. Sullivan mention the amended application for 167 Ridgewood Road pertaining to the trees will potentially be on the May 6th Planning Board Agenda but waiting for the board's planner to confirm whether or not it will be heard on the merits or just completeness.

7. Subcommittee Updates

- A. Master Plan Element Update – Ms. Dahn discussed some suggestions she received in regards to revising the ordinance and to make sure they are in compliance with the CLG regulations prior to applying for the grant.
- B. Ordinance Revision – There was no update
- C. Website Update – There was no update

8. Public Comments

Chair Levine opened the meeting for public comment:
There were no questions or comments from the public.

9. Next Meeting Date

- A. Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 7:30 pm

10. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Ms. Dahn moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Marlowe. Chair Levine adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:05 pm. All members were in favor.