

**Town of New Paltz Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Monday July 6th, 2009 7:30PM - 9:30PM at the Town Hall**

Attendees: Town HPC Commissioners John Orfitelli, David Gilmour, and Kathleen Interrante. Also attending were Town Board Liaison, Kitty Brown.

Agenda

- 1) Public Comment
- 2) Nomination for Landmark Designation of the Schoonmaker-Freer
- 3) Ohioville Historic District
- 4) 2010 Grant
- 5) Review/Approve Minutes from the June meeting
- 6) New Business

Minutes

1) Public Comment

Meeting opened for public comment at 7:30PM with a motion from John Orfitelli and seconded by Kathleen Interrante. No public comment was received.

2) Schoonmaker - Freer Nomination

The Commission reviewed the Nomination for Landmark Designation submitted by Theresa Sullivan for her home at 216 Old Kingston Road. HPC material from Neil Larson research includes a narrative which documents the history in detail and is included in the nomination. Theresa provided recent history of the house. In 1968-69 she bought the house owned by John Franco, previously owned by Deyo's. House was renovated – upstairs was storage, made into 4 bedrooms, and put in a dormer. Fireplace built in kitchen – west side was summer kitchen, well room, and included the heating system with 2 flues. A stage coach stop was located on Old Kingston Rd. Dave Gilmour asked about future plans for the house. Theresa explained that it is difficult to care for and she has two legal cases pending that need to be resolved. John Orfitelli suggested additional pictures be provided, sample of barns. Dave Gilmour highlighted the history in Old Kingston Rd. corridor, messy history of this particular structure, sign structure in terms of age, deep history but with changes to facade. Commission agreed to proceed to hold a public hearing at our next meeting in August. John Orfitelli agreed to prepare and send the required abutter notifications along with sign postings for Schoonmaker Freer, as well as, for the HHS Cemetery at S. Putt since notifications had not been made prior to the last public hearing.

3) Ohioville Historic District

The Commission discussed a Ohioville Recognition day to share the historical records gathered by Neil Larson as part of the National Register Nomination and to promote the move to designate Ohioville as a historic district.

The National Register Nomination material will need to be re-packaged for submission in a Historic District nomination document. Kathleen Interrante suggested photos be placed in close proximity to relevant text to make the narrative easier to follow. John Orfitelli agreed to obtain the material from Neil on a CD and re-package into a document that could serve as a guide to Ohioville history. Tentative date for a public awareness campaign will be established at our next meeting for September-October timeframe. Possibly in sync with Huguenot St. historic day, however, this activity is primarily aimed at the Ohioville neighborhood, therefore may be limited in scope and publicity. Ideas included a kiosk display, invitation to neighbors, a walking tour with thumb nail descriptions. Also it was suggested that Neil Larsen be invited to participate.

4) 2010 Grant

John Orfitelli agreed to check with Neil Larsen and Tom Olsen for a contact person(s) who may be able to help determine the cost of moving historic data to the web. The 2010 grant deadline for submission is 7/31/09.

5) Review/Approve Minutes from the June meeting

The Commission reviewed the meeting minutes from the June meeting. Motion to approve was made by Kathleen Interrante and seconded by Dave Gilmour. Commission approved the minutes. A copy of the approved meeting minutes will be placed in the HPC file.

5) New Business: None

A motion to close the public hearing and adjourn the meeting was made by Kathline Interrante and seconded by Dave Gilmour. Meeting adjourned at 9:15.