

Town of New Paltz Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Wednesday November 15th 2017 7:00PM - 9:00PM in the Community Center

Commissioners attending: John Orfitelli (Chair), Caryn Sobel (Vice Chair), Susan DeMark, Dawn Elliot and Kate Brodowska.

Also Attending: Nancy Forrest, Gloede Neon Signs, Representing KSB Holdings and Riverside Bank

Agenda

1. Public Comment
2. Review/Approve October Minutes
3. CoA for Riverside Bank (Public Hearing)
4. Historic Landmark Signage for Put Corners Cemetery
 - a. Road Side Marker
 - b. Interpretive Plaque Design
5. Gateway Committee Update
6. Incentives for Historic Presentation

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm with a motion from Caryn Sobel and seconded by Kate Brodowska. Motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance

1. **Public Comment:** No public comments were received.
2. **Review/Approve October Minutes** Motion to approve minutes from our meeting on October 18th was made by Caryn Sobel, seconded by Kate Brodowska. Motion carried. John Orfitelli agreed to post a pdf version with active links (once converted by Caryn Sobel from .doc file).
3. **CoA for Riverside Bank (Public Hearing):** A motion to open the public hearing was made by Caryn Sobel and seconded by Kate Brodowska, motion carried. The Commission reviewed the application and discussed the LED technology details with Nancy Forrest. There was no public feedback or objections from the Commission. Since there were no changes to the application, a motion to close the public hearing and approve the CoA Application was made by John Orfitelli and seconded by Caryn Sobel. Motion carried with all voting in favor. John Orfitelli agreed to provide the Building Inspector, Stacy Delarede, and Town Clerk, Rosanna Mazzaccari with a copy of the approved CoA
4. **Historic Landmark Signage**
 - a) **Road Side Marker:** John Orfitelli submitted the purchase order to Catskill Castings which is expected to take 10 to 12 weeks to complete. The Commission discussed holding an event in the Spring to announce both the road side sign and interpretive at the Cemetery.
 - b) **Interpretive Plaque Design:** Members of the Commission continued to work on collecting materials in the three categories:
 - Local Historic Context
 - Cultural History
 - Family Histories and Images



Dawn Elliott: to utilize Ancestry.com along with the names and dates in the spreadsheet record to search for family photos or other related information.

Caryn Sobel: to research the Deyo archives, visit Carol Johnson at the Library, check with HHS, and contact our Town historian Susan Stessin-Cohn to discuss other resources.

Kate Brodowska: to check with [Luminary Media Publishing](#) for related materials. Kate also can provide resources to have a mounting platform built to hold the plaque.

5. **Gateway Committee Update:** Caryn Sobel provided the Commission with an excellent summary from the last Gateway Committee meeting. Please refer to the [draft summary notes](#) (posted on the Town web site) for a complete synopsis of the meeting. The Committee discussed the project schedule going forward. It was noted that the 9-month moratorium on development in the Study Area was adopted on May 4, 2017 and, therefore, the moratorium will expire in early February 2018. The Committee recognized the need to accelerate its work and to complete its recommendations in December in order to forward these to the Town Board for adoption.

The Committee selected Monday, November 20th, 5:00 PM as the date/time of its next meeting. Mr. Welti will contact the Town to determine an available location. He will also send draft zoning language to the Committee for their review in advance of the meeting (target of 11/15).

6. **Incentives for Historic Preservation:** John Orfitelli has not received a response from Town Attorney, Joe Moriello, This item will be deferred to our next meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Caryn Sobel and seconded by Kate Brodowska. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Next Meeting is Wednesday, December 20th 2017.