

**Town of New Paltz Historic Preservation Commission Meeting  
Monday August 2nd 2010 7:30PM - 9:30PM at the Town Hall**

Attendees: Town HPC Commissioners John Orfitelli (Chair), Helen Christie (Vice Chair), Kathleen Interrante, and Town Board Liaison, Kitty Brown.

**Agenda**

- 1) Public Comment
- 2) GIS Mapping Grant Status and Demo
- 3) Follow-up re: Pepper Property
- 4) Review/approve minutes from prior meetings

**Minutes**

Meeting opened for public comment at 7:30 PM.

**1) Public Comment:** No public comments were received.

**2) GIS Mapping Grant Status**

**Demo to Village HPC:** The GIS Mapping Application was demonstrated to the Village HPC on Monday July 19th by Josh Simons. Tom Olsen, Village HPC Chair, provided the following comments regarding the application and follow-on grant proposals:

*...terrific stuff you have been cooking up, really excellent. Thanks for the presentation and ideas.*

*I am writing in haste, but here are some quick ideas for the "extension" grant idea you floated. I hope they might be helpful as you think about drafting something between now and mid-Aug or so:*

*1) we would most want to do something to deepen and extend the Main St. element of the current data set-- either something specific to Main St. commercial development or architecture or population groups, etc. Our major priority next year will be the Main St. district, and so there is real potential for some synergy.*

*2) I think we on the HPC could comfortably commit to 25-30 hours of volunteer time, details of work and exact number to be discussed and considered*

*3) I also think that at least we can offer a few hundred dollars of in kind support--photocopying, mailing, maybe some web work--that we already have in our budget. I have also already written to the mayor to ask if there might be or could be some straight \$\$\$. I am not optimistic, but I can certainly try, and can be more forceful when we have a proposal and after you have presented to the Village Board and mayor.*

*4) if we can count paid secretarial time as in-kind contributions, I think we can comfortably add 15-20 hours from Val as work that we would pay for but she would do towards the project.*

*Hope this helps. As I said, I am away until Aug 11, with very unpredictable Internet the whole time. In other words, don't count on me until then, but after that I can be reached and will be glad to look at what you come up with.*

**Follow-on Grant Topics:** A meeting has been scheduled for 8/11 with Julian Adams to demonstrate the application and discuss our ideas for a follow-on grant... here's a summary of the topics under discussion from our Town HPC meetings:

- Digitize library data to enhance the current application data.. consider additional source of funds from NY State Library Association and NY Archival Society
- Add linkages to SHPO and other Sites that provide related resources
- Apply technology to the Scenic By-Way: Present the GIS Mapping Application to a meeting of the Scenic By-Way Commission
- Create an animated population growth map of New Paltz
- Add photo viewer that shows transition from past to present for certain areas/properties

The deadline for submission of our follow-on grant is 9/15/2010. Josh Simons has agreed to work with both the Village and Town HPCs to prepare the next grant.

**Installation of Town's Server:** John Orfitelli provided an update on the migration of the application to the Town's server. Greg Correll (webmaster for the Town) is managing an upgrade of the Town's website to Joomla and has agreed to work with Josh Simons and his team to include the GIS Mapping Application (also in Joomla) in that process which is expected to be completed by the end of August. HVI Net, located in the Village, is expected to continue hosting the site.

**Plans for Going 'Live':** By the end of August, the Historic Map site is expected to be installed on the Town's server, however, as discussed at this meeting and in conversations with David Gilmour, several work items involving both Commissions are needed to be completed prior to making it accessible to the public.

- Complete 'beta' testing and review by both Commissions.
- Complete training for those on each Commission who will be using the editor to add and modify data.
- Establish how 'donations' will be accepted, accounted for, and distributed.
- Establish a process for receiving material from visitors to the site....
  - Receive (confirmation response via e-mail)
  - Review (need to establish turn-around-time)
  - Accept (criteria?)
  - Publish (upload to site, inform provider)

**3) Follow-up re: Pepper Property:** refer to Meeting minutes from July for follow-up.

**4) Review/approve minutes from prior meetings:** the following minutes were reviewed and approved as amended: March, April, May, and June 2010 with motion from Helen Christie, seconded by Kathleen Interrante.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kathleen Interrante and seconded by Helen Christie. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.