

Town of New Paltz Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Wednesday July 30th 2014 7:30PM - 9:30PM at the Town Hall

Commissioners attending: John Orfitelli (Chair), Helen Christie (Vice Chair), Caryn Sobel and Dave Gilmour

Agenda

1. Public Comment
2. Review/Approve Minutes from June
3. Landmark Initiative Grant
4. Other Items

Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:40pm by motion from Caryn Sobel, seconded by Helen Christie. Motion carried.

1. **Public Comment:** No public comments were received.
2. **Review/Approve Minutes from June:** Motion to approve minutes as amended was made by Caryn Sobel, seconded by Helen Christie, motion carried.
3. **Landmark Initiative Grant:** John Orfitelli agreed to contact individual stone house owners to arrange meetings to discuss the designation process, CoA, and interest in having their properties designated.

In response to a question from a stone house owner, Caryn Sobel contacted Julian Adams to obtain clarification on the impact of a locally designated landmark on efforts by the State to acquire a property or impose significant changes to the surrounding area. Julian explained that an intrusive action by the State to a locally designated landmark would trigger a notification to SHPO (and in turn, the Commission). The Commission and SHPO would then be in a position to address concerns and possibly negotiate a modification to the plan.

4. Other Items

- John Orfitelli is scheduled to present an overview of the Commission and describe the Interactive On-Line Map to folks at Woodland Pond on 8/5.
- John Orfitelli agreed to contact Dan Torres to obtain clarification on the agenda and purpose of the Joint Town-Village Board Meeting. Also, John will be requesting Dan attend the next meeting in August to discuss the Master Plan, HHS changes, CoA for Mohonk, and incentives for property owners of historic landmarks.
- John Orfitelli agreed to send a request to Steve Warren to provide an email response or letter regarding his resignation.
- The Commission discussed recruitment activities for the vacant Commission seat. Several candidates were mentioned. Follow-ups will be made to determine interest.

Motion to adjourn was made by Helen Christie and seconded by Caryn Sobel. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm. Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 20th at 7:30pm in the Town Hall.