

**Town of New Paltz Historic Preservation Commission Meeting**  
**Wednesday September 20<sup>th</sup> 2017 7:00PM - 9:00PM in the Community Center**

Commissioners attending: John Orfitelli (Chair), Caryn Sobel (Vice Chair), Susan DeMark, Dawn Elliot and Kate Brozowska, along with Town Board Liaison, Julie Seyfert Lillis.

Also Attending:

Alexa Stropoli, New Paltz High School Student  
Melanie Grau, New Paltz High School Student

**Agenda**

- 1. Public Comment**
- 2. Review/Approve August Minutes**
- 3. Historic Landmark Signage**
  - a) Road Side Marker**
  - b) Interpretive Plaque**
- 4. Incentives for Historic Presentation**

**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm with a motion from Caryn Sobel and seconded by Susan DeMark. Motion carried.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

- 1. Public Comment:** No public comments were received. Since Stacy Delarede was not able to attend, the topic of Public Hearing Guidelines will be discussed at a future meeting.
- 2. Review/Approve August Minutes** Motion to approve minutes from our meeting on August 16<sup>th</sup> was made by Susan DeMark, seconded by Caryn Sobel. Motion passed. John Orfitelli agreed to post a pdf version with active links (once converted by Caryn Sobel from .doc file).
- 3. Historic Landmark Signage**
  - a) Road Side Marker:** The Commission discussed the next steps to completing the Road Side Marker project. John Orfitelli agreed to arrange a meeting with Hampton Inn Owner, Jay Modhwadiya to review the design and price for both a two sided and single sider road marker along with an interpretive plaque for display at the Put Corners Cemetery. Mr. Modhwadiya had previously agreed to cover all or part of the expense for signage at the cemetery; however, the exact amount was never specified. Now that quotes are in place, the Commission is in a position to meet with Mr. Modhwadiya to share the designs and cost estimates for his consideration.
  - b) Interpretive Plaque Design:** The Commission continued to conduct a search for images to use as a background graphic. Dawn Elliott will look into using artwork from the Dorsky Collection. Susan Demark will approach Historic Huguenot Street for any relevant material from their archives. Kate Brozowska will check with professors she knows at SUNY Ulster for materials that may be applicable. John Orfitelli shared his work to create a spreadsheet of the names and dates for those buried at the cemetery. John provided Dawn with the Terwillger name set to use with local Terwillger family historians who may have images that could be used as well.

The Commission plan is to provide Matt Maley with any materials collected over the next couple weeks or by 10/6. Matt Maley will hopefully have a draft for presentation at our next meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

4. **Incentives for Historic Preservation:** John Orfitelli agreed to contact Town Attorney, Joe Moriello, to arrange a conference call with the Commission to discuss how the Town could implement a fee on Real Estate transactions that would be used to support Historic Preservation.

Motion to adjourn was made by Caryn Sobel and seconded by Kate Brozowska. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.

**Next Meeting is Wednesday, October September 18<sup>th</sup> 2017.**