

Fair Lawn Historic Preservation Commission (FLHPC) Meeting Minutes for July 29, 2015

- 1) 7:50 PM Call to Order
- 2) Confirmation of Notice to Comply With Open Public Meeting Act
- 3) Roll Call
 - Amy Hummerstone – present
 - Ray Richter – present
 - Rich Ball – present
 - Felice Koplik – present
 - Maureen Moriarty – absent
 - Howard Sperling – present
 - Michael Rosenberg – absent
- 4) Quorum Declared
- 5) Fair Lawn resident Larry Koplik was welcomed to the meeting.
- 6) The minutes for the May and June meetings were reviewed and approved with corrections. There was no meeting in June due to a lack of a quorum.
- 7) It was noted that the meeting schedule was changed and the July 8 meeting was moved to July 29 and the August 12 meeting was cancelled. The meeting date changes were published to comply with the open public meeting act.
- 8) The program night to be held on November 4 was discussed.
 - Felice will assist with the flyer.
 - An idea was discussed to use the library display case as an advertisement for the Historic brochure and as a method to attract new members to the historic commission.
 - Planning for the Program night will occur at the September meeting.
- 9) The commission reviewed a draft letter to be sent to the borough mailing list requesting the public to apply for positions on the commission. The letter was approved with small corrections to the subject and first sentence. The letter will also be distributed with the borough newsletter at a future point in time.
- 10) Amy reported that Bob Milanese gave an overview of the new Vanderbeck development plan to the Planning board. The commission discussed concerns with the plan including spot zoning, the historic fabric of the site and the easement road. It was noted that an amendment to the Master Plan is the preferred approach to change the zoning. Additional concerns were raised about public access to the property and

considerations for restoration of the property. An additional consideration is to request a historic easement on the property.

- 11) The discussion on a Historic Preservation ordinance was deferred.
- 12) There was no update on the potential fund raising effort with Mr. Gerard.
- 13) Distribution of the historic brochure was discussed. The commission agreed that the brochure should be distributed to the 3rd or 4th grade. Amy will confirm with the superintendent the grade in which Fair Lawn history is studied and request permission to distribute to that grade.
- 14) Public Comment

Larry Koplik, Fair Lawn Resident – commented that the commission should prepare and be ready to discuss the new application for the Vanderbeck development. Regarding rehabilitation of the property he advised to review the Secretary of the Interior Standards which provide clear guidance on historic standards.

Ray made and Rich seconded a motion to adjourn and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rich Ball