

Yorktown Landmarks Preservation Commission

February 12, 2020

Location: AACCCC

Attendance: Lynn Briggs, Chair, Bridget Krowe, Terry Naumann, Adam Fetzner, Ed Pell and Nancy Milanese were present. Brendan Murphy, Tom McLoughlin and Christine Sisler were excused.

T82.001	Balance to Date	\$562.42
T82.002	Balance to Date	\$5602.30
479.5	Balance to Date	\$5,000.00

Lynn reported the Town Board was very receptive to the proposals that were presented to them at last night's meeting. They are:

- 1) Request the town create a Yorktown 250 Committee to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of our Nation in Conjunction with the state, regional, count and local initiatives.
- 2) Change the name of the YLPC to Yorktown Heritage Preservation Committee
- 3) Authorize the adoption of a Cultural Heritage Tourism as one of the primary strategic drivers for revitalization the town.

Alice Roker invited John Tegeder to the podium since they met on tourism.

The minutes of the January 8th meeting were approved by Lynn and seconded by Bridget.

Lynn spoke to Pat Caporale about Neil Larson and two (2) more proposals are not required. Only needed if \$15,000 single vendor in a year.

She also asked if everyone has been sworn in. If not, do so. Stop by the Town Clerk's Office and she or her Deputy can do so. Alice Roker is the YLPC's liaison from the Town Board.

The replacement stairs for the ACCCCC fka YCCC did not follow procedure. They did not apply for a permit and did not apply for a certificate of appropriateness. No documentation. Lynn met with Margaret Gspurning, John Tegeder, Al Pisano, town attorney regarding the steps. They did not want concrete steps. Tiles on building were damaged during the demolition. They will be replaced to match the tile on the landing.

250 Committee. Supervisor Matthew Slater will be the honorary chairman. The following groups will be approached to have their members participate.

Yorktown Arts and Cultural Committee, Historical Society, YLPC, Planning Department, Chamber of Commerce. Small Business Association, Library, Veterans Council, EBRC, Farms, Schools, Trail Committee, Civic Groups, Teatown. These will be working committees.

Brendan Murphy has completed 10 templates. He and Lynn attended the Westchester County Historical Society Board Meeting. He is taking the lead on merging the Croton Heights area into a visual tour. Terry and Adams clips from the town's anniversary celebration can be added. Lynn proposed Brendan be named the Town Historian. Lynn contacted Devan Lander, the State's Historian to get information on building a job description and salary range. Brendan is meeting with the Town Board on February 25th.

Lynn mentioned she is interested in recommending the Arco Company to Gerald Spivak. The Board agreed.

Michael Grace, Adam Rodriguez and Lynn met to regarding the Town gaining ownership of the Hyatt Cemetery. Michael Grace trying to get property deeded from the estate to the town. Jim Martorano, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation will approach the Trail Committed to make a path to gain access. Since the cemetery is location on a state road a Real Estate Occupancy form must be completed.

The Amawalk Friends Meeting House - Once weather permits, Troop #164 will undertake cleaning the grounds, making a path to the Capra cemetery, grade the driveway, install #4 surface, clean markers, clear overgrown brush.

The restoration of the Railroad Train Station is progressing nicely.

Next up deciding what we want to do with the Strang Tavern. Neil Larson authenticated the structure.

Lynn met with Paul Martin, President of the Historical Society regarding gaining access to Monica Doherty's boxes. He now said they are stored in his car and in his wife's car.

The markers for the First Presbyterian Church, the Shipman House, Railroad Station and the ACCCCC are being held up due to DOT regulations regarding the material require for the post to be mounted on state property. Only the First Presbyterian Church and the Shipman House are on state property.

The next meeting is on March 11th in the ACCCCC fka YCCC in Room 209.

Submitted by Nancy Milanese