

Minutes
Stafford Twp. Historic Preservation Commission
June 6, 2019

Members in attendance: Craig Brearley, Chris Scales, Larry Oliphant, Ed Hazelton, Larry Oliphant Jr., Councilman Tom Steadman, Roy George, Steve Brescia, Eva Mueller, Tim Hart, Bob Shinn

Guests: Mayor Myhre, Administrator, Matt von der Hayden, Councilman Krier, Eagle Scout Jason Rogers, Mr. & Mrs. Rogers

Flag salute 7:00...

Presentation: Jason Rogers prepared a diorama of the Skirmish @ Manahawkin, as part of his Eagle Scout Project. The project included 22 people, and 588 man-hours. Jason explained the construction of the 2x4 base, stained plywood, and rolling casters on the bottom for easier transportation. The buildings are made of balsam wood. Other scouts helped in making the soldiers. The tombstones have the initials of the scouts who helped in this project. The diorama will be on display in the downstairs foyer of Town Hall for a few months. Likely moving it to the Stafford Branch of Ocean County Library for future display. Congratulations to Jason, on a well-done presentation and project.

New Business: Matt mentioned that there is \$ in the budget that has been set aside for repairs/painting at the Church. Matt and Michael Califante (the Historic Architect) inspected the church. According to Michael, it is ok to paint the Church. 1st there are some repairs that need to be addressed. Squirrels and birds have moved in. George Yockachonis said that DPW can and will do the repairs so that the painting can be completed. Matt asked (3) vendors for a quote to paint. (2) said no, he is waiting on the 3rd quote. There will be an agreement between the Township and the Historic Society (due to the fact that the HS owns the building). Tim mentioned that the HS could sell off the vacant property next to the Church, to the Township and use the proceeds to make necessary repairs.

Old Business: Township Administrator mentioned that the Mayor and Council members have received templates of the Ordinance. Once all are returned, the Mayor and Administrator will review their comments. Tim explained the information that is to be gathered. Basically a history of the houses on the list.

Tim mentioned that the main goal is to stop demolition if possible, and address the advantages to restore/preserve rather than demolish. Ed suggested a possible better approach to notify the public. Make this something more agreeable to both parties, and it will be a benefit for all.

Matt simplified the process: #1) HPC & Council, 1st step is to agree on it #2) post the ordinance on the website #3) host a public meeting, ask for input from the public. Chris mentioned to present it as a benefit for all. Bob mentioned to present it appropriately. Craig mentioned that in Beach Haven, their Ordinance has become a benefit to the Boro as well as

residents trying to get into the Historic District. Paul mentioned that property owners who are on board will also be our best promoters. Tim mentioned that we should focus on the icons as a 1st priority. HPC will move forward on the list. Mayor & Council will move forward on the Ordinance.

Plans: No plans for review.

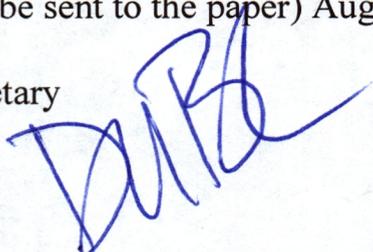
Councilman Steadman updated the Commission on the Planning Board plans for the Ocean Acres Bank of America. It will be just a drive up ATM. Before they demolish the building, they have offered it to the Fire Company for drill training.

Motion to adjourn: motion made by Bob/ 2nd by Chris. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned: 8:01

(Notice to cancel July 4th HPC meeting will be sent to the paper) August 1st, next meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Diane Brown, Secretary

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Diane Brown", is written over the typed name of the secretary.