

HISTORIC COMMISSION
MINUTES
October 26, 2016
8:15 p.m.

<u>ATTENDANCE:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
<u>Phyllis Angelo</u>	X	
<u>Mary Donohue</u>	X	
<u>Sara Theresa Bartelloni</u>	X	
<u>Mike Ginch</u>	X	
<u>Joan Kristan</u>	X	
<u>Eric Model</u>		X
<u>Liaison Vito Acquafredda</u>		X

AUDIENCE:

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised she reached out to Tom Sarlo, Esq., to find out how to restart the historical designation process, but has not heard from him and as soon as she finds out they can start the process. Questioned Sara if she could ask her husband about the designation process.

SARA BARTELLONI: Stated Tom would be the authority on this subject.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Said she forwarded a letter to the homeowners on Kinderkamack Road, but it was returned. She read the letter into the minutes. Discussed the 2017 Budget and advised there is a lot of information they want to archive, they have documents from the Cultural Center, Ambulance Corp. and the Police Department.

MIKE GINCH: Advised they need to purchase a printer.

SARA BARTELLONI: Questioned if there is any money left in the budget.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised there is a few dollars left for the Members to go to a Workshop. Questioned if they should continue the archiving for the same amount of money and hours they put in for 2016.

MARY DONOHUE: Stated it is very important that the work is completed.

SARA BARTELLONI: Indicated if you can get the same budget, then yes.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Said she will put in for a printer. She advised over 1200 photographs and documents were archived and are hoping that Margaret eventually will be able to do the archiving herself, without the help of Mr. Carter.

MARY DONOHUE: Indicated she thought Margaret was a specialist in archiving.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated she is not sure, but all librarians take a course in archiving. Indicated the intention was to eventually have the librarian do the archiving and questioned how they can make the information available to the public.

SARA BARTELLONI: Suggested starting a blog, but you need to find out if the Town requires anything and it may cost a minimal amount of money.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated she would need a 'blurb' to send to Tom Sarlo. Stated when the historic designations are presented to the Town Council they should present an argument regarding what the outcome could be if the homeowners have financial problems, by using what happened with the Blauvelt house as an example. Suggested everyone think about what type of argument they want to present to the Council.

MIKE GINCH: Stated the blog may cost approximately \$10.00 per month.

SARA BARTELLONI: Believed it may cost \$80.00 for a Host name and an additional \$15.00 a month.

MIKE GINCH: Indicated the Commission should find a way to raise money.

SARA BARTELLONI: Advised the Beautification Committee has a flower sale, which is very successful.

MIKE GINCH: Suggested selling calendars.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned if anyone wants to take something like that on, such as a calendar with historic pictures, as a fundraiser.

MARY DONOHUE: Stated there are beautiful poems of River Edge which can be placed on the calendar along with a photo.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned Sara what happened with having a history student to serve on the Commission.

SARA BARTELLONI: Advised she spoke with the AP American History teacher, who indicated there were a couple of students who were interested.

MIKE GINCH: Stated they need to find out in what capacity the Student can serve on the Commission.

SARA BARTELLONI: Questioned if the Ordinance needs to be amended to include a student member and if there is more than one student interested, how would you select which student to be on the Commission?

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated if there are a couple of students in mind, I will check to see in what capacity they can serve and indicated she believes the student may not be able to vote.

INAUDIBLE

SARA BARTELLONI: Advised they have students on the Board of Education, however they are not included in the "closed" discussions. Indicated she would like to get a high school junior to serve on the Commission.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated it may take more time if they have to amend the Ordinance to allow a student on the Commission.

MIKE GINCH: Said to question if there is an age limit, if not, then the student can just be added as another member.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated she will inquire about the age limit. She advised the Mayor suggested they do something about the history of the street names, which would be perfect for a high school student. Questioned if someone is checking with the County regarding sending a survey with photographs included.

SARA BARTELLONI: Advised the County did advise them the photographs had too much information to put on the same document with the survey.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned if she should ask for a separate data base with the photographs.

SARA BARTELLONI: Indicated you can if it would make everyone feel better.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned if the County is okay with submitting the survey without the photographs.

SARA BARTELLONI: Advised the County is not okay with that, they gave a copy of the survey so the Commission can edit it for its own interest, but kept the original document.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned how you can get an edited version of the survey.

SARA BARTELLONI: Stated the problem is they did not redo the survey, they just referred to the old survey.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised they have to do an updated survey, as part of the CLG. Questioned Joan if she has a date to interview for the oral history.

JOAN KRISTAN: Indicated she currently does not have the time to work on the oral histories.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated Mike can work with Eric on doing the oral history for Sylvia Model. Indicated she would like to help with the oral history of Don Herrick and

would like to get these two oral histories done before the end of the year. Questioned Mary if there is New Bridge Landing update.

MARY DONOHUE: Advised the Commission and the Historical Society are grieving on Kevin's passing. Stated the architect's plans for the new museum are going to the Planning Board and they hope to have shovels in the ground by April or May.

SARA BARTELLONI: Indicated the 100 year anniversary for Roosevelt School will be in 2019, and she would like to do something for that but is not sure how to go about it.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated the Cultural Center has information on Roosevelt School that Sara can look through.

MARY DONOHUE: Stated she thinks it is wonderful to include students in projects and the Commission should be very aggressive in getting the street sign project started.

MIKE GINCH: Suggested renaming a street to keep it current.

MARY DONOHUE: Stated you can also get the Girl Scouts and Eagle Scouts involved.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised the next meeting will be November 30, 2016. It will be on the 5th Wednesday.

Meeting adjourned.