

HISTORIC COMMISSION
MINUTES
February 20, 2018
8:27 p.m.

| <u>ATTENDANCE:</u> | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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| <u>Phyllis Angelo</u> | X | |
| <u>Mary Donohue</u> | | X |
| <u>Sara Theresa Bartelloni</u> | | X |
| <u>Mike Ginch</u> | X | |
| <u>Eric Model</u> | | X |
| <u>John Cookson</u> | X | |
| <u>Liaison Dario Chinigo</u> | | X |

AUDIENCE:

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised they still want to historically designate the two houses.

MIKE GINCH: Questioned if there is any documentation from the State asking why the house is not designated.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Indicated she could get some documentation from the State.

MIKE GINCH: Questioned if there she has something from the County as well regarding the designations. Indicated in the past it was stated that the County has designated certain number of houses in the County that are most significant at risk as they are not designated and can be destroyed.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated she will get the County documentation of the importance of the 2 homes for designation.

MIKE GINCH: Indicated this way we will have some backup, why the designation is being done.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised the one house has been on the County list to be preserved since the 1980's.

MIKE GINCH: Believes it would be good evidence if you have a trail of that information and have someone from the County appear to give testimony.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated they had a County person give testimony in the past and indicated they will vote on whether they want to historically designate the houses at this

time. Advised John that he could get historic pictures from The Record on Instagram and can make a story about the photograph.

MIKE GINCH: Questioned if there is an Instagram account for the Historic Commission and if there are any followers.

JOHN COOKSON: Advised there is an Instagram account and there are 40 followers and the Commission has one post.

MIKE GINCH: Suggested getting a handful of information from the archives to post.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Indicated John could meet Mr. Carter and pick out something he would like to post.

MIKE GINCH: Indicated he has a post card of the house across the street from him and suggested John using the postcard to post onto Instagram.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised John she needs a resume from him for the State and he will need to attend one seminar this year for the CLG requirement. Stated they will continue with the archiving and by the end of March they will have a budget. Advised the most important thing is to get the archives on-line. She spoke with John Kenny, head the CLG in Trenton, who told her that it meets the criteria for a Grant and questioned if that should be done. Questioned if it is an expensive thing to do because of the time or other things.

MIKE GINCH: Stated it is expensive because of the cost per hour to have someone do it.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned if anyone on the Commission can do it.

MIKE GINCH: Indicated he did not think anyone on the Commission can do that, but maybe once the structure is set up, it would be easier to add to it and that it would need to be linked to the data base.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned if anyone at River Dell could do this.

JOHN COOKSON: Stated he is not aware of anyone student.

MIKE GINCH: Advised he will ask around but does not think it is likely to happen.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Suggested to have someone to create a framework that the members can work on.

MIKE GINCH: Advised it is possible, but unlikely and unrealistic, but he will ask around.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned if anyone has any new business.

MIKE GINCH: Advised Jim Hoogstrate stated he is interested in doing the video for the oral histories.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned who would he like to interview.

MIKE GINCH: Stated Jim wanted to have his mother give an oral history, but she is leery about doing it. Suggested Phyllis talking to her about doing the oral history, since she knows her.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned if there is anyone else they may want to ask to give an oral history.

MIKE GINCH: Advised there are a lot of people out there.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Stated she will talk to Mary if she is aware of anyone.

MIKE GINCH: Stated someone will need to do the interview as Jim will only videotape.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Questioned John if he could find some do the interview.

JOHN COOKSON: Stated he could do the interview, but would need at least a week notice.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised there will be stock questions to ask and believes Eric would be good at doing the interviews.

MIKE GINCH: Stated some things with the Commission should be more of an ongoing process, because if you wait to get answers a month or so in between meetings, nothing seems to get done.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Agreed, however advised some people do not come to the monthly meetings.

MIKE GINCH: Suggested there should be a schedule for people to provide information and that people need to be more accountable for their work, otherwise things do not get done.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Advised she will reach out to the members and suggested having a short, informal meeting at the Library before the next meeting to show everyone the archives and how to use the system.

MIKE GINCH: Suggested having Mr. Carter make a "how to" video or presentation for people looking for information, so they can use the system.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Suggested doing an exhibit of the 100th Anniversary of Roosevelt School.

MIKE GINCH: Suggested having a secondary computer at the library, with instructions, for the public to use the data base. Indicated he will think about what needs to be done in order to make that happen.

PHYLLIS ANGELO: Suggested meeting on the 28th in the Library with Mr. Carter, or meet in between.

JOHN COOKSON: Advised he will not be around on the 28th.

MEETING ADJOURNED