

The regular meeting of the Pequannock Township Historic District Commission was held Wed. Aug. 1., 2012 at the Pompton Plains Railroad Station at 7 p.m. with Chrm Jay Wanczyk, vice chrm. Bob Safarik, Rec. Sec. Jane Costello, Anita Daniel, and Dave Wisneski present. Lou Hebert Chris Lotito and Council Liaison Ed. Engelbart were absent.

The minutes of the June meeting were accepted as sent by Bob Safarik and seconded by Anita Daniel. (there was no July meeting)

Station Museum Updates

Light Pole Repair..Public Works has checked for what is needed.. Hopefully they will have it repaired soon. It will be on a timer. Thanks to Ed Engelbart and Mayo Rich Phelan for pushing this. We also want public works to fix the drainpipe and turn the sign for more visibility.

Roof repair estimate..Kovach Roofing gave us a \$750 estimate which we feel is too high. (We had thought that this work might be donated)

Nothing new on the garden.

Video Surveillance Installation Phone/Video Connection...The town will give us a video card which will feed off of WiFi. We will write a letter on what we need to Botary.

We will send a memo to Council to have the Museum checked by the police and Park Ranger on a regular basis for smoking and anti-social behavior. Too much damage is doing done and loitering need to be discouraged!

Baggage Wagon Restoration...the husband of the Reformed Church pastor cannot do this (more of a project than he thought) He suggested Boy Scouts working on Eagle Scout. Lou suggested a cabinet maker he knows. We have to decide where we will put this item when completed and whether we want it just fixed or fully restored (again worrying about vandalism) We also have to set a policy for any physical assets (such as this wagon which is worth \$1000-2000) when work is done. We need to be sure to get a receipt. If we use a restorer we need a sample letter to this effect.

Pathways Open House....We will put the new dates on our existing posters and get out publicity. We will also order 75 booklets for the weekend. This year we will feature the Civil War and the 1812 Bicentennial.

Monthly Donations...A. The actual potbelly stove lid; Agent Staples memorabilia including his union card with signature, father-in-law photocopy, five ticket stubs, and summer home catalog...donated by Sue Chilton Hellyer and Ken Hellyer.

B.Slingerland deed...(through Ed Engelbart) get name

Hoedown will be held Sept 15. We will feature the Civil War and will ask about whether or not to have a game,too.

Fire inspection. We were told we need a fire extinguisher and Jay Wanczyk got one. There was discussion about exit signs if we are told they are needed.

Dave Wisneski reported that Kathy Fisher of the Montville Historical Society who is documenting cemeteries found a cleaner that cleans the old gravestones and is safe...not a bleach or an acid. It apparently does an excellent job. She also said that if we sent a "letter of support" for a grant she is submitting, she will add us to it (as a small part) Adobe Acrobat microfilm...1867-1898, The original run was from 1740-1734

Dave also had pension documents to help verify if the names of veterans that we have are actually buried on our cemetery. Some of them are definitely verified through these documents....great job Dave....

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35, /Respectfully submitted Jane Costello