

Minutes of the Joint Historic Preservation Commission

Village of Ellenville & Town of Wawarsing

Monday, July 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 P.M. by Chairman, Jeff Slade. Commission members present were Bonnie Hull, Kay Hull, Paul Ross, and guest, Barbara Murray. Absent were Jeff Rubin and Gregg Wood.

The minutes of June 12th were approved as presented.

Under "Old Business", Jeff Slade reported that he met with Tom Shadd regarding Landmark signs/brochures recently. Tom will be preparing a short video of landmarked sites, and signage will be done through Signs.Com, and both should be available for us to have at our booth at the Blueberry Festival on August 12th. Commissioners present approved Jeff's request to pay Tom \$250 for his work on the video. There is money in our budget to cover this

Jeff Rubin provided Mr. Slade with an updated report that he continues to be in contact with Hank Alicandri and that plans for the Ellenville/Wawarsing Park are moving forward.

Regarding the Blueberry Festival, Jeff Slade will, once again, be at the booth the entire day (Aug. 12th), setting up on Canal Street by the Hunt Building. Jeff Rubin, Paul, and Kay will be there in the morning.

Under "New Business", both Jeff Rubin and Jeff Slade have been in contact with the current owner of the Port Ben Depot. Although he would like to repair/restore the station, he is not open to landmarking it at this time. He WOULD, however, like to meet with the JHPC in the near future, and we look forward to meeting with him.

Having no other "Commissioner Concerns", the business meeting ended at 4:20, and we watched the video "Lost Rondout" an "Urban Renewal" project which destroyed much of the historical sites/neighborhoods of lower Broadway in Kingston. At the end of the video, many commissioners recalled stately buildings and family-owned businesses in Ellenville that were also lost forever, due to "Urban Renewal" here in the 1970's. For us, it brought to the forefront, the IMPORTANCE of PRESERVING and PROTECTING the history and legacy of our Village and Township!

Having no further business, the next meeting was scheduled for August 7th at 4:00 p. m, and our meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kay Hull, Secretary