

**FEBRUARY 19, 2014, MEETING MINUTES
EAST AMWELL HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
EAST AMWELL MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 1070 ROUTE 202, RINGOES, NJ**

CALL TO ORDER & OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The meeting of the East Amwell Historic Preservation Committee was called to order at 7:33 PM by Chairwoman Barbara Sageser. Recording Secretary Scott Bauman read aloud the following: “In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this is a regular meeting of the East Amwell Historic Preservation Committee pursuant to the meeting notice published in the January 23, 2014, issue of the Hunterdon Democrat. Notice of this meeting was filed in the Township Clerk’s Office, sent to the Hunterdon Democrat, and the agenda was posted on the municipal bulletin board.

ROLL CALL 2/19/14

Committee Member (term expires)	1/15/14	2/19/14	3/19/14	4/16/14	5/21/14	6/18/14	7/16/14	8/20/14	9/17/14	10/15/14	11/19/14	12/17/14
Jim Davidson, alt. #1 (12//31/13)		7:45										
Jennifer Floyd (12/31/14)		X										
Frances Gavigan (12/31/16)	X											
Will Harrison (12/31/14)	X	X										
Barbara Sageser (12/31/16)	X	X										
Pauline Serafin (12/31/15)	X	7:43										
Paul Sterchele (12/31/14)		X										
Peg Sullivan (12/31/14)	X											
Mary Van Horn (12/31/15)		X										
vacant (12/31/14)												
vacant Alt #1 (12/31/14)												

Others present: Recording Secretary Scott Bauman

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: No one from the public was present.

PRESENTATION OF JANUARY 15, 2014, MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Chairwoman Sageser to approve the January 15, 2014, minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously; Ms. Floyd, Mr. Sterchele, and Ms. Van Horn abstained from voting. Ms. Serafin arrived at 7:43 PM.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dr. Larison / Sylvia DuBois Dialogue: Ms. Van Horn reported that dress rehearsals will be underway soon. Mr. Davidson arrived at 7:45 PM. Mr. Davidson reported that the performance is going to be filmed, over 1,000 email invitations were sent out. It is a unique play, it reflects well on the township, it was funded with grants, and it was in time for Black History Month.

Clawson House Rehabilitation. Chairwoman Sageser reported that she expects bid documents and draft basement plans from project architect Chris Pickell soon.

Office Organization. Chairwoman Sageser reported that she was able to retrieve some computer data discs that accompanied a township laptop computer. Ms. Floyd confirmed that the discs were backups from PastPerfect- a museum software archival program.

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Greenfest: Saturday, April 5. Chairwoman Sageser reported that she received an invitation in the mail to participate in Greenfest; she read the invitation aloud. Those present agreed to the Committee participating in Greenfest, with the message to encourage re-using building materials.

Children's Programs: In Ms. Sullivan's absence, Chairwoman Sageser reported that Ms. Sullivan met with the elementary school principal and librarian to discuss the Dr. Cornelius Larison Art and Essay Student Challenge. Those present discussed how to judge the contest which will ask 4-6 grade children to draw a building or location associated with Dr. Larison, and accompany the drawing with a 50 word caption. Seventh- and eighth grade children will be asked to write a five hundred word essay about Dr. Larison's impact on East Amwell and his legacy.

NEW BUSINESS

Quick Collection. Chairwoman Sageser reported that she and Ms. Sullivan visited the Quick collection recently and reorganized some boxes and were able to recover two acid free archive boxes to use for the Quick collection that were previously used to hold documents that did not require archive boxes.

Setting Goals for 2014. Chairwoman Sageser read aloud the goals set by the Committee for 2013; several of the goals were met, while others are continuing goals.

Referral from the Zoning Board. The Committee reviewed a site plan and elevation drawings for an equine facility proposed at 125 Linvale Road, Block 41, Lot 17.02, by New Market Farm, LLC. The proposal is before the Zoning Board because it requires a conditional use variance and site plan approval. The property is located in the New Market-Linvale-Snydertown Historic District, but the proposed building is located at the rear of the property and does not appear to have any impact on historic properties. No buildings are being torn down.

Mr. Harrison made a motion that the proposed equine facility at 125 Linvale Road will have no impact on the New Market-Linvale-Snydertown Historic District. Mr. Davidson seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, the motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: No members of the public were present.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davidson, and unanimously approved by all to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Scott Bauman

Scott Bauman, Recording Secretary

February 25, 2014

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Harrison

MOTION SECONDED BY: Ms. Serafin

APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE: March 19, 2014