

Rumson Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes of the Meeting of June 15, 2023
Charles S. Callman Courtroom

1. Pledge of Allegiance, Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Vice-Chairman Jon Carras

2. Roll Call

Present: Mr. Carras, Mr. Cloud, Mr. Day, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Kingsbery, Mr. Pomphrey.

Absent: Mr. Adler, Mr. Fitzmaurice, Mr. Ciambrone (Planning Board Liaison). Mr. Carras declared a quorum present and announced that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act had been met by posting and mailing a schedule of all regular meetings of Historical Preservation Commission for 2023 to the *Asbury Park Press*, the *Two River Times* and the Rumson Borough Website.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2023 meeting by Mr. Kingsbery, seconded by Mr. Day.

4. Chairman Report

Mr. Carras conducted meeting in for Mr. Alder.

5. Sub Committee Reports

- Maintain and Update Website (Mr. Day, Mr. Fitzmaurice):
 - How-to Page updates underway, but not complete.
- Chronicle/Record/Document any “at risk” Historic Properties (Mr.Fitzmaurice):
 - Add to “Gone but Not Forgotten” Properties: **NONE REPORTED**
- Obtain regular reports of Applications for demolitions from Sabine O’Connor:
NONE REPORTED

AWARDS PROGRAM 2023 (Mr. Cloud): Annual

- Nomination period from June 1 - July 31
- **MR. CLOUD** presented a RHPC Awards Program Flyer for approval to be posted at local businesses to promote the program. **APPROVED**
- **MR. CARRAS** Has been in contact with the plaque company for this year’s award.

WALKING TOUR

MR. CARRAS reported on schedule 2023 for September 24, rain date October 1, 2023

MOSS HISTORY ROOM (Mr. Pomphrey):

- o Open second Tuesday of each month 10AM - 2PM. No appointment necessary. Possible future discussion on opening two days per month. Opening night scheduled for June 27th at 6pm for a one hour gathering All are welcome. Still waiting for confirmation that a member from the Moss family will attend. Possible attendance by Mayor and council members also. Special guests would include Laura Tooker and Ross Millhouser and Bill Moss. Ribbon cutting followed by some welcoming remarks. Mr. Carras will reach out to Eric Paone-Hurd for remarks for the spokesperson. Light refreshments served. Mr. Carras will create a press release to local publications following the event.

- o Maintain
- o Enhance

Moss History Room Computer (Mr. Adler, Mr. Day): Ongoing

- o Select and purchase archive software
- o Develop a full outline for the archive
 - o Create a plan for digitizing the contents of the library e)
- o Create a pool of volunteer archivists

● **Rumson History Volume 3 (Clay - Ben- Ed-Jim)**

- o Next meeting 3rd Thursday at 10 AM . Next meeting July 20, 2023
- o Mr. Kingsbery and Mr. Day led a meeting on June 15, and reported progress and the need for volunteer writers topics that have not been covered.
- o Progress continues as we recruit residents interested in writing about special events and organizations. Roberta Van Anda said she may be able to cover 50% of topics in Volume III from her past newsletter work.
- o Find photos from 1965 to present for Rumson History, Vol. 3

● **Continue Current HPC Activities (Mr. Adler): Ongoing**

- o Be a resource to owners of Historic Homes
- o Communicate with Residents
- o Communicate with other HPC Groups

● **Plaques (Mr. Carras): Ongoing**

- o Enhance the promotion of the plaques
- o Improve the message that they are an honor and not a limitation on the property.
- o Set dates for ordering and delivering.

● **Publication / Community Involvement (Mr. Adler, Mr. Carras, Mr. Day):**

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Liaison Reports (Chambrone, Kingsbery)

- Honor the Recent Past **Ongoing**

6. New Business

Mr. Kingsbery mentioned RHPC organizing a Parade for the 250th Anniversary of America.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Thursday, July 20, 2023, in the Charles S. Callman CourtRoom at 6:00 pm.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm after a motion by Mr. Kingsbery, seconded by Mr. Day.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ed Pomphrey, Secretary