

MEETING MINUTES

BOROUGH OF CALDWELL HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

February 14, 2017
Regular Meeting

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mr. Colaizzo, Ms. Crifasi, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Godlewski, Mr. Kaplan, Mr. Vere, Councilman Rodgers

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:30PM

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE: Adequate notice of this regular Caldwell Historic Preservation Commission meeting was given on January 10, 2017. Notice was posted on the bulletin board of the first floor of the Borough Hall, One Provost Square, Caldwell, NJ. Four official newspapers of the Borough were notified of the meeting by mail and all persons requesting notice were sent same.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Deferred to March Meeting:

January 10, 2017

February 14, 2017

AGENDA:

1. The Library is now an historic landmark
 - There is a planned unveiling of a plaque on Sunday, April 30, 2017. Mr. Kaplan will investigate to see that this can be done.
 - Councilman Rodgers will find out who will pay for it.
 - Mr. Kaplan found out that there is a company in Monmouth County that can fabricate it. Will it be a memorial plaque?
 - Councilman Rodgers knows a company in Blairstown that may be able to do it also.
2. Smull Avenue update
 - Mr. Godlewski could not see Paul Milani. He will try again in the near future
3. Sorting the Mail Lunette
 - Mr. Kaplan met with the West Caldwell Postmaster. The Postmaster feels if they clean the place up, the Lunette will turn up
 - Mr. Cummins reported that the postal clerk in Caldwell wants to follow-up

4. Wells Fargo Bank
 - “Doo-Wop” Bank: there is a “For Sale” sign in front of it now.
 - Bloomfield Avenue location: Mr. Vere found out that there is a contract being negotiated.
 - Mr. Cummings stated that he would look at the history of the bank.
 - Establish when the building was built and when it came to Caldwell. Ms. Crifasi will send Mr. Cummings information.
5. Candidates for Landmark Designation in 2017:
 - “Mustard” house on Westville Avenue
 - First Presbyterian Church cemetery: Ms. Crifasi will contact the Elders of the church
 - Area of Grover Cleveland park near the tennis courts. This area was the site of the first industry in the Caldwell area.
 - Hasler Building on 295 Bloomfield Avenue
 - Knowlwood house.
 - Mr. Colaizzo to make a new spreadsheet from the access file
 - Bruce White’s house
 - Grover Cleveland Middle School
6. Architectural Gems:
 - Mr. Godlewski has a list from Lane Avenue
 - Tour or brochure for a self-guided tour
 - Identify “districts”. Determine how many can be identified
 - Have it ready by Fall, 2017
7. Commission Vacancy
 - Councilman Rodgers will ask someone
8. Master Plan Workshop
 - Mr. Kaplan will talk to Mr. Byrne of Planning Board. He is putting together a workshop so we can talk about it
 - Mr. Godlewski has a friend that will help
9. Teachers Village:
 - February 22, 2017. Designed by Richard Myers

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Cummings was thinking about making a student project for the Lincoln School
2. Congratulations to Mr. Kaplan for making the Library a Landmark

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Mr. Godlewski and Mr. Vere: Plaque for Library
2. Mr. Godlewski: speak to Mr. Milani
3. Mr. Kaplan: contact West Caldwell Postmaster regarding Linette
4. Mr. Vere and Ms. Crifasi: Smull Avenue bank (Courter bldg.)
5. Mr. Godlewski: “Doo-Wop” bank
6. Ms. Crifasi: contact First Pres.

7. Ms, Crifasi: speak to Mr. White.
8. Mr. Godlewski: Knowlwood house and vacancies
9. Ms. Crifasi and Ms. Godlewski: architectural gems
10. Ms. Crifasi: Master Plan
11. Mr. Kaplan: Teachers Village
12. Ms. Crifasi and Mr. Cummings: Podcast
13. Mr. Kaplan: call Sharon about plaque
14. Mr. Colaizzo: convert database.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:10PM