

**Historical Preservation Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2021**

Meeting Called to Order (Time 7:06pm). Meeting held via Zoom.

Reading of Open Public Meeting Act.

**Members present:** Chairperson Dave Wilding, Vice Chairperson Laura Olstein, Corresponding Secretary Caryl Keyser, Mary DiBrigida, Jim Roselius, Bob Roy

Absent: Council Liaison Sean Mabey

Friends: None

Guest: Tom Kline

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve March 9, 2021 minutes made by Caryl Keyser and seconded by Jim Roselius; all in favor, none opposed.

**Old Business:**

**Grant Reports:**

**Morris County Historic Preservation Trust (large grant money)**-Tom Kline: Council accepted the pre-qualifications at the March meeting. Must now submit meeting Minutes and legal advertisements to the dept of community affairs. Will then have 30 days to review; when that is passed, can then advertise for qualified bidders to fill out pre-qualification packages. About a 45 day process; can then invite those contractors to bid on the project. Probably July before it goes out to bid; should be able to start project beginning of August. Would like to be done by 2022.

**Building and Grounds Report:** 1) Jim spoke to Joe Anderson from the roofing company that had completed the original work regarding the paint that's flaking behind the shutters. Long out of warranty, but will have his painter come and hopefully have things done by mid-May. 2) Sent letter to DPW re: routine spring maintenance. 3) Asked for update on contract with termite company.

**Centennial Celebration:** Nothing new to report.

**Friends Report:** Dave Wilding-Not meeting at this point.

**Pathways:** Laura Olstein-Nothing new to report.

**Scout Projects:** Laura Olstein-Nothing new to report.

**Social Media:** Laura Olstein-Highlighted Dr. Miller for Women's History month in March. Featured Lucy Meyer in April for National Volunteer month. As of now have 188 followers on Facebook and 88 on Instagram with 3000 views in past month.

**Special Programs Report:** Mary DiBrigida-Tabled until museum can actually open.

**Research & Collections:** Mary DiBrigida-1) Vitrine arrived; in Dr. Miller's room. 2) Laura tracked down the piano person and ended up speaking with Dr. Helen Miller's godson; when his sister started taking piano lessons, Dr. Miller gave them the piano from her home (L'Ecole). Tom said it's very likely

that the piano was part of the original school that ended up in the building when Dr. Miller bought the building. Tom thinks we have to accept the piano donation-it's from the late 1800's. A motion was made to acquire the piano by Bob and seconded by Mary; all in favor, none opposed. Can send DPW to go get it-put in corner of schoolroom? Replace Methodist church piano with the Miller piano; temporarily put in the garage. Bob will talk to DPW. 3) The accessioning project is continuing; mostly done with the big room.

**Staff report:** Caryl Keyser-Sent a thank you letter to Peg Schultz who is retiring.

**New Business:** Tom Kline-1) The boro is trying to buy the Boonton Avenue fields. 2) Looked through all of Lucy Miller's files-found Indian artifacts as well as where she found them-should isolate them and make them a part of the general collection and have Michael digitize them. 3) Dave: President of Fayson Lakes Water Company contacted him regarding their documenting of the history of the company which started in the 1950's. There is a Fayson Lakes Homeowner's Association member who knows a lot of the history as well. Is L'Ecole interested in receiving the results? Yes.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm**

**Adjournment:** Time 7:50pm. Motion made to adjourn by Caryl Keyser and seconded by Jim Roselius; all in favor, none opposed.

*At the May 11, 2020 meeting, on a motion by Jim Roselius, and seconded by Caryl Keyser, and the affirmative voice vote of all members present, the April 13, 2021 minutes were approved.*

