

Leonia Historic Preservation Commission

312 Broad Avenue, Leonia, NJ 07605

Minutes: Meeting of December 8, 2014

Present: John Roynon, Linda Green, Pat Fusco, Frank Rovelli, Diana Damon

Council Liaison: Bernadette Flaim

Guest: David Braun, John Stendor

The meeting was called to order at 7:37pm.

The minutes from the last meeting were read and accepted as corrected.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business:

- Bernadette: Reported that she would be seeing her Remax contact on November 13 and hoped to obtain the list of Leonia homes built in the early 1900's
- Ideas for membership. Linda will invite Mary Miraglia to attend our next meeting.
- David Braun discovered the wording for the 6th town sign on the cover of 'Know Your Town,' a booklet produced by the League of Women Voters in the late 1980s. It appears the sign was in front of the library on Fort Lee Road near the bus shelter, but it is not known when it was removed. According to Deborah Bigelow, Director of the library, the empty post has been there at least 18 years.
- 215 Broad Avenue (Ferdon House) Pat Fusco reported he had not had an opportunity to look at this property to determine if it meets the commission's criteria for being designated a historic site.
- Historic Trolley Sign: John Roynon presented a sketch showing how the 3' x 2' historic sign/information board could be located at the triangle, and proposed that it contain several old photos of Broad Ave rather than just one trolley photo. An initial estimate of approximately \$1,000 has been received. To finance the sign it was proposed that we use \$700 from the 2014 budget as a deposit with the remainder to

come from another source. The commission voted in favor. John R. will follow up with Jack Terhune regarding the donation of this sign to the boro.

New Business:

- Pat Fusco informed that he will become councilman in January, so he will not be able to remain on the commission. A replacement Class A member will need to be found.
- Budget Request: John R. will inquire at Boro Hall to find about increasing our yearly budget. It is believed that the annual budget of \$700 has remained unchanged for approximately 25 years.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm

Next meeting will be on Monday, January 12, 2015 at 7:30pm at the Borough Hall Annex.

Respectfully submitted,

John Roynon