

Leonia Historic Preservation Commission
312 Broad Ave.
Leonia, NJ 07605

Minutes of meeting of October 14, 2013

Present: Stephen Hutnik, Linda Green, Diana Damon

Absent:, Charles Silverstein, John Roynon, John Genese excused

Council Liaison: Peter Knott

Guest - David Braun

The meeting was called to order at 7:38pm and the Sunshine Statement read.

The minutes of the September 9, 2013 meeting were read with two corrections. Linda Green replaced Marcia Wilson and wording under new business word changed "to fill out paperwork" Diana Damon made a motion to accept the minutes Linda G seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Correspondence: We received Grant information from the county.

Council Liaison Peter Knott had nothing to report.

Old Business:

1. Diana Damon gave a report to the commission on the workshop that she attended on June 6, 2013. She said it was very informative and she came back with lots of handouts that will help declare homes historic.
2. Larry Cherchi asked Steve Hutnik if we have a list of the names of Leonia residents who died in the American Revolution, Civil War and the Spanish American War. David Braun will research this request.
3. Linda Green reported that Robert Metzdorf gave the Leonia Railroad sign to Barbara Marchant hoping that we can display the sign somewhere in town. David B will contact Barbara and contact the Leonia library to see if they would like to be the caretaker of the sign.

New Business:

1. Steve Hutnik will get information about touring the Fort Lee Historical Park in Fort Lee, NJ and take Washington's Retreat Route from Fort Lee through Leonia. He will also speak to the Borough Administrator about getting the two busses to take people to the historic park in Fort Lee. We plan to do this sometime in April, 2014.
2. Councilman Knott asked if our minutes are posted on the town website. Steve Hutnik said he would check with Lynn Hemmer to find out. The commission voted in favor of posting the minutes on the town website after Lynn said it can be done.
3. At next months meeting everyone is asked to bring the address and the owners name of a historic house in Leonia so we can start the process of declaring it historic. John R recommended that if we have a number of historic homes on the same block, we should declare it a historic district. David B will check out the criteria for declaring a home historic.
4. The commission welcomed Linda Green as a new member.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. Linda made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Diana, all were in favor.

The next meeting will be on Monday, November 11, 2013 at 7:30pm at the Borough Annex.