

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

Minutes of meeting of September 9, 2013

Present: Stephen Hutnik, John Roynon, John Genese, Diana Damon

Absent:, Charles Silverstein excused

Council Liaison: Peter Knott

Guest - David Braun & Linda Green

The meeting was called to order at 7:32pm and the Sunshine Statement read.

The minutes of the June 10, 2013 meeting were read and approved. Diana Damon made a motion to accept the minutes John R seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Correspondence: We received an email informing us that NJ will celebrate its 350<sup>th</sup> birthday in June of 2014. We will discuss this in new business.

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. Linda Green will replace Victor Gonzalez-Gamboia on the commission. She will see Lynn Hemmer till fill out the paperwork.
2. 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.
3. We have \$630.00 in our treasury.
4. Councilman Knott asked if our minutes are posted on the town website. Steve Hutnik said he would check with Lynn Hemmer to find out.
5. 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.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm. Diane Damon made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by John R, all were in favor.

The next meeting will be on Monday, October 14, 2013 at 7:30pm at the Borough Annex.