

CHILI HISTORIC PRESERVATION

APPROVED MINUTES

April 8, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Bonnie Moore (chair), Linda Hamilton (secretary), Rona Pearce, Michael Tata, Pete Widener, Mary Sperr, Town Board Liason

Absent: Phil Supernault, Melissa Pernesky

Minutes from March: The minutes from March 11 were reviewed and approved after a motion by Peter and a second by Rona.

Open Forum: Our Landmark policy states that a home may be 50 years old or older to be considered for Landmark Status. Rona thinks that the 50 year rule should be maintained since certain home developments are considered classic. She cited Ranchmar Homes, which were built as Chili's first development by Mr. Entress. Also the area east of Coldwater Rd. and North of Chili Avenue where Rona lives would be another classic development which was built more recently.

Bonnie wrote an article for the Messenger Post about the Pearce Memorial Church Bell Tower restoration.

Chili Fest: Bonnie met with David Dunning to discuss the history of Chili tours. It was suggested we may need to use school buses if there is a need. Bonnie suggested that we use the senior van as a trial run for the tour and meet on May 13 at the Senior Center at 6 PM for that purpose. We will have pizza at the work meeting and then meet at 7:30 for the regular meeting. Linda said there are microphones on the school buses. She will check with Stan about this and the capacity of the buses. She will see if Stan would like to drive for the tours. We would like Phil to bring the camera on Monday, May 13 and have a picture of our board next to the van for advertizing purposes.

Landmark Investigations: Our visit to Carole Thoms' home was so interesting. A look at the beams which were on the ceiling of the basement confirmed the 1825 date of Carole's home. Carole's presentation will be held at a town board meeting after she has sent us the electronic data on her home. Bonnie will order the plaque with a circa 1825 date.

Fuhrman house at 436 Paul Road: Bonnie received a letter from Jerry Fuhrman, suggesting that a single member from our board could visit the home. Jerry feels it is time for our board to move forward on the landmark designation. The letter will be placed in the Preservation Office files according to the Fuhrman home address and we will contact Fuhrmans to follow up.

John Testa's barn: The board liked the letter of recognition that Bonnie wrote to Mr. Testa explaining the award. Bonnie will mail the letter tomorrow.

Sanza Home (One Room Schoolhouse at the corner of Phyllis and Paul Rd): Bonnie will research the number of this school, and we will continue to pursue it for Landmark Status in the fall.

Next meeting May 13, 7:30 PM (note time change). We will meet at the Senior Center at 6 PM for a work meeting including a tour ride for discussion, and pizza.

Adjournment was at 8:47 with a motion from Michael and a second from Rona.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hamilton