

**Historical Preservation Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 9, 2017**

Meeting Called to Order (Time 7:30pm)

Reading of Open Public Meeting Act.

Motion to amend legal notice and re-publish under new committee name made by Bob Roy and seconded by Caryl Keyser all in favor, none opposed.

**Members present:** Tom Kline, Caryl Keyser, Dave Wilding, Bob Roy, Mary DiBrigida, Jill Iannino  
Council Liaison: Carol Sventy

Absent: Laura Olstein

Friends: Cori Kline (Anne and Nora absent)

**Hearing from the Public:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve February 2017 minutes made by Caryl Keyser and seconded by Bob Roy, all in favor, none opposed.

**Discussion from the Chairman on various topics:**

Motion to join the AASLH (American Association for State and Local History) made by Bob Roy and seconded by Caryl Keyser, all in favor, none opposed. Laura Gakos will submit voucher to the AASLH.

1) Museum Software Program "Past Perfect": Caryl Keyser asked for a motion to request the Friends of the Museum to purchase Past Perfect. Tom Kline asked for a motion to have the borough pay for the software program and if there are not sufficient funds in the current borough budget, then ask the Friends of the Museum. Motion made by Bob Roy and seconded by Caryl Keyser, all in favor, none opposed.

2) Phase III Options: Application filed by 3/31/17 deadline with county for @\$32,000 grant to continue with interior renovations and restoration of L'Ecole. The grant was intended to produce contract documents and bidding specifications. County is planning to make a site visit on 5/13 at 11am; Mayor and Council rep will be asked to attend; committee members welcome as well, shows community support. Maintenance log is available for visit. Grant would be funded 80% by Morris County and 20% by the Kinnelon Open Space and Historical Preservation Trust Fund.

Phase II update: All aluminum siding has been removed; there are leaks in the ceiling and garage; wood siding has been replaced; roof to be removed and replaced with attention to attic ventilation to alleviate tremendous heat issue. Construction meeting 5/17 at 10am; all encouraged to attend. Restoration project should be completed by mid-June.

3) Changing ordinance: The council passed an ordinance to re-organize the Historical Commission without addressing their specific purpose, i.e., how exactly will L'Ecole now be managed? Tom Kline asked Carol Sventy to tell Mayor Collins and council representative Glenn Sisco to attend the next meeting in June to discuss all unresolved issues and if they do not show up, in protest he will resign from all of his borough positions as of June 30, 2017.

Some of the issues not addressed by council: a) no mention that election of officers is needed, b) no mention of when/where the meetings will be and how they are to be advertised, c) no mention if committee members are in charge of budget and d) no mention if committee is still in charge of managing the museum.

**Old Business:**

**Carol Sventy:** Updated maintenance manual returned in April. At site meeting Margaret mentioned termite situation; John Whitehead was going to set up program hopefully to be paid out of borough budget; to be confirmed by Carol.

**Friends Report:** Cori: Planning a re-organizational meeting for May 23<sup>rd</sup> to incorporate new by-laws. Paul Tiajloff and Al Mosca are joining. Will elect officers if everyone agrees to all changes. Friends exists purely to fundraise for the museum. Garage sale at L'Ecole is June 3<sup>rd</sup>, rain date June 10<sup>th</sup>. Donations coming in slowly. Will look to also advertise online on Smoke Rise Next Door Neighbors and possibly in Fayson Facts if time permits.

**Pathways:** Need new volunteer as Pathways liaison Kevin Heron has resigned due to relocation. Tom Kline appointed Laura Olstein. All meetings are at the Boonton Museum. Mary DiBrigida will contact Kevin to determine Pathways meeting schedule and forward info to Laura.

**Scout Projects:** Girl Scout Charlotte Wheeler has asked to do a project for the museum for her Gold Award. She has to make a presentation to the Committee about what she would like to do for the museum, then send a proposal to the Girl Scouts for approval. Until that is done she cannot start any project at the museum. Mary DiBrigida will contact her to make sure she understands the process.

Laura Olstein absent; both Tom Kline and Mary DiBrigida reported in her stead that the Boy Scout troop will clean up Frederick Cemetery on May 14th as part of an Earth Day project; apparently some clean-up has already occurred by a Fayson Lake committee. Elmer Bott will put flags on graves for Memorial Day.

**Special Programs:** Mary DiBrigida, Laura Olstein and Caryl Keyser have been taking field trips to different museums to get ideas about programs to put in place so that when the Museum re-opens there will be monthly events to bring in members of the community. First thing: Create a 15 minute tour of L'Ecole and all committee members should be able to give the tour. Ideas: garage sale, thank-you events, spring and fall lectures, craft sessions, music in the summer (name these events to give them some panache). Workshop set up for May 30<sup>th</sup> to discuss further. Calendar of events/ideas to be worked on over the summer.

#### **Grant Reports:**

Morris County Historic Preservation Trust-nothing new to report.

Morris County Heritage Commission-nothing new to report.

**Staff report:** Caryl Keyser. Tom Kline asked if Michael could keep a weekly diary of what he's doing-what documents scanned, etc. Tom will call him to discuss.

**Building and Grounds Report:** Dave Wilding-Just about to start on outside landscaping. The bush at the end of the driveway will be disposed of. Irrigation system-lawn has never looked better. Mulch-Carol Sventy will speak to John Whitehead to have DPW place cedar mulch in the plantings around the building and in the garden. Would like to have mulch placed asap in time for county meeting.

**Publicity Reports:** Bob Roy-No news to report.

**Research & Collections:** Tom Kline went to the Newark Public Library, found 42 images of Kinnelon, approx. 9 from Fayson Lakes circa 1930; half from Smoke Rise. Cost \$4/image to scan 600 dpi images to Tom's e-mail. Will look into making copies at Bellford Labs, get 8x10 prints, @ \$10 each. Also contacted the University of California-they have approx. 41 aerial photographs of western Kinnelon circa 1955; would cost @ \$20/image or approx. \$800.00. There are @ 70 additional images at the Passaic County Historical Society; will try to negotiate price as right now too high. Will have more info for next meeting.

Frank Fay-Scoundrel or Developer: Pathways lecture in the fall.

Tom posted a request for historical photographs w/context on the Fayson Lakes Alumni Facebook site, consists of approx. 600-700 members. Pictures/stories coming in. Potentially use photos as an exhibition for the museum.

**New Business:** KAMELOT is hosting a program on the Opiate Epidemic on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

There is a meet and greet for the new library director on May 21; everyone invited.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – 7:30 pm**

**Adjournment:** Time 9:40pm. Motion made to adjourn by Caryl Keyser and seconded by Mary DeBrigida. All in favor, none opposed.

*At the June 13, 2017 meeting, on a motion by Caryl Keyser, and seconded by Dave Wilding, and the affirmative voice vote of all members present, the May 9, 2017 minutes were approved.*