

Morris County Heritage Commission Minutes Meeting of November 10, 2016

Present: Chair Kathy Murphy, John Dunado, Larry Fast, Kathy Fisher, Joyce Kanigel, Joseph Macasek, Miriam Morris, Archivist/Acting Director Margaret Shultz, and Archives Technician Amanda Hefferan.

Absent: Epsy Farrell, Bonnie-Lynn Nadzeika and Freeholder Director Kathryn DeFillippo.

Call to order: Chair Murphy called the meeting to order at the Morris County Library at 9:39 a.m. She read the Open Meeting Statement.

Minutes: The minutes for October 11, 2016, were accepted as amended

Freeholder Report: No Freeholder Report for November 2016. Kathryn DeFillippo has been re-elected to the Board of Morris County Freeholders.

Financial Report: See the Expenditure Budget activity report 11/07/2016 attached to the meeting package.

- Funds for the Florham marker have been encumbered in the special projects account. The accounts payable budget cut off is November 28. Ruth Pace will submit her invoice this week.

Chair Report: no attached Chair report. Chair Murphy has been corresponding about the markers and re-grant program and coordinating over the newsletter and Long Range Plan submission. She is looking forward to continuing with Freeholder DeFillippo as the advocate for MCHC in 2017.

- There is still no date for the Freeholder reception.
- Commissioner replacement: Commissioners have received Marty Kane's resumé. It was agreed to recommend him to the Freeholders

Archivist/Acting Director's Report: See the Archivist/Acting Director's Report attached to the meeting package for November 10, 2016.

Archive Collection: Amanda Hefferan:

- Because of activities highlighted in the report above, archiving the collection is moving forward more slowly than anticipated.
- The restoration of the Sanborn Insurance Atlas accessioned from the county library will cost about \$10,000. It is currently in quarantine.

Re-grants: County permission was obtained to use DropBox for sharing the applications with the reviewers.

Facilities: No further report.

Miscellaneous: The WW1 "Dough Boy" statue in Riverdale has been taken down. It is at the Board of Education property. It is cast in zinc and is in need of restoration, which might be eligible for grant funding. It would also benefit from being reinstalled in a permanent location. Chair Murphy has reached out to Riverdale but with no response. Commissioner Fisher will speak with her contact there.

Committee reports:

Archives: Kathy Murphy and Joe Macasek, Co-Chairs. See Archivist/Acting Director's report above and attached.

- No further report

Grants/Re-grants: Bonnie-Lynn Nadzeika, Chair. See Archivist/Acting Director's report attached.

- MCHC has received a thank you note from the Green Pond History Association (GPHA), for the contribution made by the MCHC re-grant funding for 2016.

Long-Range Plan: Epsey Farrell, Kathy Fisher, Co-Chairs

- No further report

Marker Program: Kathy Fisher, Chair. See Archivist/Acting Director's report.

- Archive Technician Hefferan has been photographing markers to track of condition.

Personnel: Bonnie-Lynn Nadzeika, Chair. See Archivist/Acting Director's report attached.

- No further report.

Public Programs/Exhibits: Bonnie-Lynn Nadzeika, Chair. See Archivist/Acting Director's report.

- Commissioner Macasek: The Canal Society Board will be meeting next week and will discuss Symposium dates (probably April).

Publications: John Dunado, Chair. No Report

- The Fall edition of the Heritage Review is ready except for final review of the captions. Future issues could feature a marker of the month with amplified history.

New Business:

- Commissioner Fast referred to the interest in the premiere of *Saving the Great Swamp: Battle to Defeat the Jet Port* at the Mayo Canter on December 3.

Correspondence: Events and Newsletters

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Miriam Morris, Secretary

The next Commission meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 13, 2016, at 9:30 a.m.**
in the Commission Conference Room at the County Library.

Please inform Ms. Shultz if you are unable to attend