

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**Minutes**

**May 17, 2006**

Meeting called to order by Chairman, James Van Hooker, at 7:35 p.m. with the reading of the legal notice.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: James Van Hooker, Steve Boshart, Robert Kochka,  
Samantha Vaughan, Alice Dusenberry, Kristen Koerner

Absent: Harry Rescigno

Also Present:: Robert Sparkes, GIS Specialist  
Wayne McCabe, Consultant

**MINUTES**

Motion made by Samantha Vaughan to approve the April 19, 2006 minutes provided that Rob Sparkes is removed from also present due to the fact he is not a Commission member and that Wayne provided Jean's last name and it to be added. Seconded by Robert Kochka.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE GRANTS**

**Historic District of Main Street:** Wayne McCabe explained that the survey sheets need to be updated. Some of the sheets are not complete. It was decided that Steve Boshart would update them with Kristen Koerner's assistance. Samantha Vaughan suggested the HPC be ready to answer questions that the public may be asked.

It was decided that the public hearing should be changed from June to a future date.

Rob explained that there will be a planner, Tony Nilson, presenting different ideas that may be beneficial to the proposed district of main street sometime in June.

Rob reminded the HPC that an outreach letter should be sent out to all the property owners once the survey sheets are complete.

Samantha Vaughan expressed her concern of the repeated questions that the public may ask she thought it would be beneficial to compile questions with answers to prepare for the public hearing.

It was decided that Steve Boshart and Kristen Koerner will work together to complete the survey sheets. Rob Sparkes or Secretary will contact Steve for an update.

Rob Sparkes suggested a letter or a phone call to contact the property owners of homes that are already designated of Wayne McCabe's availability. Samantha Vaughan asked that Wayne McCabe provide a text. Samantha Vaughan thinks it would be best to do a community service message. Samantha Vaughan will look into Cablevision.

Rob Sparkes suggested photographs be submitted in the local newspapers of with a short caption of the structure. Samantha Vaughan will check into the probability of being rescaling the photos. Samantha Vaughan suggested the photo of Apple Acres that is in the museum. Kristen Koerner suggested using photos of the sites that no longer exist. Wayne McCabe suggested that the Commission spread it out. Rob Sparkes suggested the Aim. It is given out freely to the residents. Rob Sparkes will find out the procedure of the newspapers for submitting the photographs to the newspapers.

**TICHENOR HOUSE:** No Update.

**WALLISCH ESTATES:** Discussion of the property consisting of wetlands. Rob Sparkes explained that he spoke with Bob Craig of the Historic Preservation Office and that Mr. Craig is writing a letter giving the Council 7-10 days to make a decision on using the Wallisch Estates for the grant. Mr. Craig assured Rob Sparkes that it would be held without prejudice. When the Commission is ready to nominate the Wallisch Estates again the HPO will not hold this past experience against them.

**WEST MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:** Discussion of the meeting that was held with Passaic County. It was discouraging. It was asked if Wayne McCabe would take the auger and meet James Van Hooker to test the soil content of the soil near the wall of the church. James Van Hooker questions the positions of the grave.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Discussion of appointments. It was decided that the appointments will remain the same except for Kristen Koerner. She is to be moved up to Class C from Alternate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Samantha Vaughan motioned to adjourn meeting and seconded by Robert Kochka. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Van Hook,  
Secretary