

VILLAGE OF COXSACKIE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
September 10, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Pat Maxwell called the meeting to order at the Coxsackie Village Building at 6:07 PM.

ROLL CALL

The following members were in attendance: Pat Maxwell, Michael Rausch, Linda Deubert, Betty Cure, and David Dorpfeld. The Chairperson declared a quorum. Wendy Warren and Diane Fausel arrived a few minutes later. Joe Ellis, Village Trustee, Hugh Quigley, and Aaron Flach were in attendance. Eileen Goebel arrived later to discuss the Pomeroy Marker.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Michael Rausch and seconded by Betty Cure to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 9, 2019. The motion was carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Aaron Flach – McQuade Cottage

Aaron discussed the following plans for McQuade Cottage, located at the rear of the buildings at the head of Reed Street. The Cottage will be a one family rental with the living quarters above the garage.

- 6 over 1 windows
- Roof to be repaired and replaced with architectural shingles
- Dark Grey cement board siding
- White front porch and railing, white outdoor stair railings
- Lime green French doors onto the deck and lime green back door
- White Azek trim board for windows, frieze board and other trim
- Square 6 x 6 columns below the front deck to match the smaller columns above
- The back addition will revert to the original enclosed porch above, which will become a bedroom in the renovated rental cottage, and open area below
- Carriage style insulated aluminum garage doors, also in white
- Concrete stamped to look like blue stone in front of the garage doors
- Paved driveway, paved parking behind the Eagle Hotel and along the north side of the cottage
- Remove the broken stone and concrete wall on the north side of the driveway and widen the driveway itself

A motion was made by Betty Cure and seconded by Diane Fausel to approve these plans for the cottage subsequent to the receipt of the signed Historic Preservation District Building Permit Application. The motion was carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. South River Street Redevelopment** – discussed the purchase of the former Patrick Henry’s Tavern and the need for the Historic Preservation Commission to approve any plans for exterior improvements to the building.
- B. Heermance Memorial Library porch and window** – no new updates
- C. 1 Mansion Street Entrance** – no new updates
- D. Cemetery Progress Report:**
 - 1. **Gravestone cleaning** – Wendy will schedule a cleaning for early October
 - 2. **Adopt a Grave fundraising** – Pat took in \$70 in donations at the Farmer’s Market in August. She will have a table there again next week (September 18, 2019).
 - 3. **Fencing** – As reported in the July minutes, after receiving high bids for fence restoration the committee looked into reproduction fencing. Hugh Quigley reported that Dan Beechler met with Modern Metal Fabricators on an alternative proposal, with a total cost of \$62,700 which includes restoring and modifying the original 6 posts/columns, restoring the two pedestrian gates and fabricating approximately 20 sections of new fencing. This quote would require the village crew (DPW) to
 - Remove and store the existing fence sections for possible later use
 - Remove the 6 posts/columns and the 2 pedestrian gates and have them ready for pick up by the contractor
 - Install approximately 26 to 30 sonotubes filled with concrete to a minimum depth of 3.5 ft (locations to be coordinated with the contractor)

Since this project would require a lot of coordination between the village crew and the contractor. Hugh recommends that if the project is approved, Dan Beechler should take charge, coordinating the work between the village crew (DPW) and the contractor.

Due to the cost, this project would need to be done in phases, as funding permits. Betty Cure made a motion, seconded by Michael Rausch, that the Village contract with Modern Metal Fabricators to complete the first stage of this project:

- To restore, modify, sand blast and powder coat the 6 existing decorative posts to fit to the restoration fencing and fasten to new concrete footings, (to be installed by the Village DPW) at a cost of \$2,450 per post for a total cost of \$14,700
- Repair, sandblast, powder coat and install the two pedestrian gates at a cost of \$2,000 per gate for a total cost of \$4,000
- Total cost for phase one \$18,700

- The Village DPW will remove the posts and gates and install the footings with all work by the Village and Modern Metal Fabricators to be coordinated and supervised by Dan Beechler.

The motion was carried

4. Finances – There is currently \$23,000 in the account, sufficient to cover the above project.
 5. Flagpole - A commemorative plaque for the flagpole, donated by Harold Conine has been ordered and will be installed sometime this fall.
 6. Bench – The bench, donated by the Bank of Greene County has been engraved and is ready to be installed
 7. Grants – Betty Cure is working on a D.A.R. grant for cemetery funding.
 8. \$300 Donation– David Dorpfeld reported that he received a \$300 donation from the Worden family to pay for Taylor Monuments to reset their 12 family stones
- For further details, please see the attached Coxsackie Village Cemetery Committee Report dated September 2019

PUBLIC COMMENT -OTHER-

Pomeroy Marker – Eileen Goble reported that it would be too difficult to incorporate the information on all three buildings at the head of Reed St. onto one marker. It was decided that the marker should go in front of the library and commemorate Eleanor Heermance, who bequeathed the building and part of her estate to establish a public library. Eileen will submit the application this week. Details on the actual wording will be determined if the application is accepted.

Public Comment - none

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Diane Fausel and seconded by Wendy Warren to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 PM. The motion was approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

LINDA DEUBERT, SECRETARY

ATTACHMENTS:

- a) Coxsackie Village Cemetery Report dated September 2019