



## Hightstown Historic Preservation Commission

Thursday, April 15, 2010  
7:30 pm @ Borough Hall



### MINUTES

**Call to order:** Chairman Pratt called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

**Open Public Meeting Act Statement:** Chairman Pratt read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement.

#### Roll Call:

Commissioner Brown:	Present
Commissioner Buriak:	Present
Commissioner Cox:	Present
Commissioner Ely:	Present
Commissioner Keith:	Present
Commissioner Mariboe:	Present
Commissioner Patten:	Present
Commissioner Pratt:	Present
Commissioner Smith:	Present
Council Liaison Musing:	Present

**Public Comment:** None.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed by email prior to the meeting, with a few copies distributed at the meeting. The minutes were approved.

**Public Comment:** None

#### OLD BUSINESS

**Monthly Newspaper Article:** No report

**Downtown Hightstown Website:** The new Hightstown website was discussed. It received favorable comments. Amanda Porter will be working on incorporating the HPC bullet points into an announcement on the website to promote the HPC.

**Historic Element Revision:** Commissioner Pratt reported that no date has been set for the meeting of this subcommittee.

**John Bull Sleepers:** Commissioner Patten reported that she and Christian Kirkpatrick continue to meet to revise their report.

**Demolition Ordinance:** Commissioner Pratt reported that the Demolition Ordinance will be voted upon at the next Borough Council meeting.

**Pattern Book:** A discussion was held regarding the John and Mary Hight information received from Bob Craig. There are some portions that are particularly negative that the commission would like to have edited.

**Stockton Street Streetscape Improvements:** Commissioner Buriak reported that the Borough Council will be voting on a resolution to appoint the engineer for the project at its next meeting. He stated that bids will be going out between 4/26 and 5/10<sup>th</sup> and will be received by June. He estimates that the project should begin in late July or early August.

**Circa Plaques, whistle stop sign, district signage**

After discussion, the consensus of the HPC was in favor of the design by Sewah Studio, in Marietta, Ohio. Commissioner Keith volunteered to make prototypes of the plaques.

**Budget** Commissioner Buriak stated that he is going to pursue a matching grant from his employer to contribute \$1,000 to the HPC.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Peddie Lake Bridge Reconstruction:** Commissioner Keith reported that a sub-committee had been formed by the Borough to develop ideas for the bridge. They have developed two proposed design. They are meeting on a monthly basis. George Keith and Dan Buriak are the HPC liaisons to the committee.

**169 South Main Street - Peddie**

Commissioner Pratt reported that he and Commissioner Buriak had met with Peddie School officials to discuss the 169 South Main Street property's renovations. He stated that they had agreed to consider some of the HPC's recommendations in the process of renovating the property. Commissioner Pratt distributed a copy of a synopsis letter via email to all Commissioners. The letter was also sent to John Newman and copied to Mike McKittish and Hightstown Mayor and Council.

**194 Stockton Street - Buriak**

Commissioner Buriak shared information on the DaVinci Slate-like shingles he will be using on his roof.

**Adjournment:**

The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Keith and seconded by Commissioner Brown. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

**Next Meeting: Thursday, May 20, 2010; 7:30pm.**