

Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee – October 5, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Monthly meeting of the Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee was held at 7 p.m. on October 5, 2015, at the Municipal Building, 106 Route 94, Blairstown, New Jersey. The following members were present: Christine Beegle (Chairperson), Barbara Green, Theo Padavano, Lori Nienstedt, Cynthia Montes, Ken Bertholf, Martin Miller, Dave Harvey, Wick Mott, Jeanette Iurato, and Steve Lance (Liaison).

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lori Nienstedt and Jeanette Iurato were welcomed as new members.

Discussion was conducted re the following items:

Main Street guided walking tour on October 31 will include the Gravel Hill Cemetery.

Martin will talk to Blair re publicity, etc., for Elliott Trommald's presentation (4/2016). Blair's US History students and students from North Warren will be invited.

New website – Jeanette Iurato has offered to establish and design website for BHPC.

Museum on Main Street will be property owner's private collection per Jeanette. Branigan cabinet will be returned to prior Blairstown Township location.

Storage of *Blairstown Press* newspapers currently at the CDH Library. (Martin will ask Blair if they can possibly be stored there.)

Possible formation of 501c3.

Updates re plaque project.

New business discussion:

Ken Bertholf resigned due to business obligations.

Local history presentations (by members) will be held after adjournment of BHPC business meeting.

Historic buildings (homes and barns) remaining on Route 94. What can be done to preserve them?

Barbara will be the liaison to the Land Use Board.

Heavy dump truck and passenger bus traffic on Main Street. Steve stated this should be brought before the Township Committee for referral to the County.

Next meeting: October 26, 7 p.m., Municipal Building.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

Barbara Green, Secretary