

## **Historic Preservation Committee Meeting Minutes – April 23, 2019**

A meeting of the Mountain Lakes Historic Preservation Committee (“HPC” or the “Committee”) was held on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at the Mountain Lakes Library. In attendance were Alex Gotthelf, Margaret DeWitt, Mark Hoffman, Rob Infante, Justin Savage, and Megan Powers. Absent were Ginny Cassidy, Tom Dagger, Michael DeWitt, Roberta Matalon, Andy Scott, Kaylee Smith, and Borough Council Liaison David Shepard.

### ***Approval of Prior Meeting’s Minutes***

The Minutes of the March 26, 2019 meeting were approved.

### ***Public Comments***

Jeremy Marinaccio presented a proposal for an Eagle Scout project. The goal of these projects is to demonstrate leadership of others while performing a project for the benefit of the community. The details will be fleshed out in the coming weeks with a tentative start day of Summer 2019.

### ***Chair's Report***

Alex announced that Ginny Cassidy has resigned and thanked her for her five years of valuable service. The board will begin a search for a replacement.

### ***Treasurer’s Report***

The report was not available.

### ***Archive Report***

Justin and Rob updated the Committee on ongoing activities to maintain and store the Borough's collections. Further Mark reported that archive copies of the *Mountaineer*, the Mountain Lakes High School newspaper are not available at the school. The Committee will issue a call to residents and the online community for copies.

### ***Salvage Report***

The shed clean-up project has been scheduled for Sunday, May 26 from 9:30 to 12:00.

### ***Borough Liaison Report***

The report was not available.

### ***Old Business***

**Crane Road Bridge.** This project is progressing under the direction of the county with a tentative start in early spring. Alex attended a meeting with staff from the County Construction Office and Borough Manager to review the process and ensure an appropriate rebuild.

**Landmarks Protection.** Tom and Alex have drafted a discussion item and set of FAQs on the project. Mark will review.

**Accessory Dwelling Unit Subcommittee.** Alex reported that the ADU Committee is moving quickly and continues its commitment to ensuring that units are consistent with the historic character of the Borough

**Book Template.** Rob Infante showed the committee an example of a book he prepared that could serve as a model for an item the Committee could sell to residents. The book would contain iconic photographs of Mountain Lakes in general and be customizable with images and information specific to a particular residence. Rob will work on developing this template so it could be easily modified without excessive time or effort on the part of the committee. The goal would be to have it simple enough to self-publish with some assistance. The out-of-pocket cost is approximately \$35. The sale price would need to be determined.

**Upcoming Events.**

- Shed Clean-Up, May 26 9:30 - 12:00
- Mountain Lakes Day. May 27 - 11:30 - 3:30
- Art at the Esplanade/ Arthur Singer Collection June 2
- Annual Open House, November 2 - 11:30 - 2:30

***New Business***

***Date for Next Meeting***

Next meeting date – Tuesday, May 21, at 7:30 in the Mountain Lakes Library.  
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes prepared by Margaret DeWitt & Alex Gotthelf.