

Historic Preservation Committee Meeting Minutes - September 13, 2022

A meeting of the Mountain Lakes Historic Preservation Committee ("HPC" or the "Committee") was held in-person on Tuesday, September 13, 2022. In attendance were Alex Gotthelf, Olin Bose, Ranjan Bose, Margaret DeWitt, Jessica Fazendeiro, Mark Hoffman, Cynthia Korman, and Sueanne Sylvester. Absent were Ryan Astrup and Brian Adams.

- ***Welcome and Agenda Overview***

Alex welcomed all new and returning members.

- ***Approval of Minutes***

Minutes for the June 21, 2022 meeting were approved.

- ***Reports***

Committee heads reported on significant activities since the prior meeting.

Treasurer. There was little change in cash on hand but two items of note: Increased revenue from the large number of house plaque sales in the spring and increased expense from the consultant's fees for the station repair project.

Cash Balance: 29,767.34

Comments: An increase of about \$940 since the most recent report.
This reflects sale and delivery of several Hapgood and Belhall plaques, donations for salvage materials, and product sales at July's Mountain Lakes Day event.

The committee discussed the need to consolidate its two accounts (Operating and Centennial Committee) and asked Cynthia to investigate next steps.

- ***Old Business***

Archive. Space needs were reviewed. The committee agreed to peruse a short term goal of optimizing the space currently available while seeking a longer term solution. The committee asked Alex to continue conversations with the library board regarding repairs and additional shelving.

Membership. The committee discussed the need to recruit additional committee members and to develop a roster of volunteers with unique skills for special projects. Margaret and Alex will work on a new ad for the Borough Blast.

Station project. Alex reported that the HPC was successful in securing a grant from Morris County to develop a preservation plan for the station. Work on the plan is scheduled to begin in October and will involve input from an HPC sub-committee. Start of work will be announced widely on social media by Ranjan and Sueanne.

Eagle Scout project. The committee approved a proposal from Olin Bose for a group of historic markers to be placed on the Boulevard walking path. Each marker will provide information and illustrations about the original use of the walking path as a trolley line.

The date for the next meeting is October 18 in the library community meeting room.

Minutes prepared by Margaret DeWitt and Alex Gotthelf