

**Historic Preservation Committee
Meeting Minutes - December 14, 2021**

A meeting of the Mountain Lakes Historic Preservation Committee ("HPC" or the "Committee") was held on Tuesday, December 14, at the Mountain Lakes Library. In attendance were Ryan Astrup, Ranjan O. Bose, Margaret DeWitt, Alex Gotthelf, Grace Gowan, Mark Hoffman, Francis LaMuraglia, Rob Infante, Sueanne Sylvester, and Borough Council Liaison Cynthia Korman. Absent was Brian Adams.

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the November 16 meeting were unanimously approved.

Reports

Borough Liaison. The HPC has been granted permission to add an interactive map and documentary film to the Borough website. These will appear on the Borough History page.

Archive. The library board of trustees has notified the HPC that the current archive space may be needed for other uses. The Committee agreed to actively seek alternative space.

Upcoming Events. The annual HPC open house will be moved from November to May to coincide with Historic Preservation Month. The next event will be May 2022. Outdoor walking tours, displays, and other activities will be considered.

Old Business

Station Grant and Repairs. The Board agreed to spend \$1,700 to support the work of the Borough in preservation of the Mountain Lakes Train Station. The funds will be used to pay for a professional grant writer to prepare a grant application for the Morris County Historic Preservation Trust Fund. By providing funds at this time the HPC hopes to ensure that best practices of preservation, maintenance, stabilization, and restoration are applied to this important structure. Alex will prepare a draft motion, which will be reviewed and voted on before the January 2022 meeting.

Brian Adams will act as HPC liaison to the Borough on the station repair project.

New Business

The following assignments were made:

Chair	Alex Gotthelf
Co-Chair	Ranjan O. Bose
Secretary	Ryan Alstrop
Treasurer	Mark Hoffman
Archivist	Ranjan O. Bose
Salvage Shed	Brian Adams
Oral History	Sueanne Sylvester
Fundraising	Margaret DeWitt

Two alternate members will be added to the Committee in 2022.

The following 2022 meeting dates were approved:

Jan 18, Feb 22, Mar 22, Apr 19, May 17, Jun 14, Sep 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13. All meetings will be at 7:30 in the library community room.

Closing Items

Next meeting date - Tuesday, January 18, 7:30 (Mountain Lakes Library - Masks Required)

Minutes prepared by Margaret DeWitt and Alex Gotthelf.