

**HARRISON TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HPC)
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 11, 2010**

MINUTES

Suzanne Champion opened the meeting with the following members present: Joseph Glutting, Webber Gaunt, Jeff Summerton, Christopher Knisely, Scott Bergman, Joe Naples, and Jim Malaby. Absent: Paul Showers, Scarlett Lovell Others Present: Bruce Hasbrouck, Solicitor, and Suzanne Champion, Secretary.

The secretary noted that both Mr. Showers and Ms. Lovell have been both reappointed to the commission but neither have been sworn in as of yet. Mr. Knisely stated that Mr. Shower's mother-in-law had passed away on Sunday and that Ms. Lovell had contacted the secretary stating that she wouldn't be able to make the meeting tonight. He also stated that we should wait until the next meeting when all the members are there. Mr. Naples will continue with the meeting.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mr. Naples noted that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

FLAG SALUTE

Mr. Naples led everyone in the flag salute.

MINUTES

January 14, 2010 Not acted on.

APPLICATIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Holy Name of Jesus – Mr. Naples stated that he was still waiting to hear back from their higher up boards. Mr. Knisely stated that we should just wait for them to come back to us.

National Historic Signs in District – Ms. Lovell had asked for this to be placed on the agenda about the plaques for the house for Historic Designation. Ms. Lovell isn't here today so we will table until another date. Mr. Gaunt asked if we could look at the township signs at the entry to the township are beginning to look faded. The secretary stated that would go to Public Works. Mr. Knisely told Mr. Bergman that this discussion was brought up in January at our meeting when discussion about presenting a resolution & plaque to Dr. Parks and Ms. Halter for the work to restore the properties. There was talk at that time about a bronze plaque.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Coles: stated that he owns 5 different properties which are in the Historic District. He first asked about painting the house. Mr. Naples stated that the commission doesn't do any color on painting. He then asked about his garage in the back yard which was built in 1910 could he change it and put overhead garage doors. Mr. Naples stated that each property would be looked at individually; he would need to bring in pictures of the garage and pictures of what he wanted to do. He also asked how you become a member of the commission. Mr. Knisely stated that he would need to put in a resume to the Township Administrator.

Mr. Knisely stated that in order for him to be on the EDC he needed to be classified a B. He stated that Mr. Duffield the Township Solicitor has determined that there is no problem in changing the classification from a C to B. He stated that the Mr. Gaunt, Mr. Glutting are also a C. Mr. Knisely asked if they had any objections in being changed back and no one had a problem. Mr. Bergman stated that he was an A because he was on the Planning Board and he has since resigned from the Planning Board. Should his classification change? Mr. Knisely stated that this would come from the Township Committee to change it.

Mr. Naples asked about the small building at the Parks property. He stated that we haven't heard anything and he just didn't want to see a problem of the building falling down. Mr. Malaby stated that we should try to help some of the resident. Mr. Naples stated that we now have the Tax Abatement which Dr. Parks has applied for and we had also tried to other things that we weren't allowed to do by State Statue. Some other discussion followed.

Mr. Knisely stated that he had gone to a seminar in Lower Alloway's Creek and he was the only person from up North. He did see Mr. Turk there.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Summerton made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Glutting. Vote: All Approve 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne F. Champion, Secretary
Harrison Township Historic Preservation Commission