

Minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission Meeting on December 16, 2020

Call to Order: This meeting, held in conformance with the Open Public Meetings Act, was called to order by Don Eckel at 7:01 pm. It was held virtually.

N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(b) authorizes municipalities to conduct public meetings through use of streaming services and other online meeting platforms. Recently adopted P.L. 2020, c. 11 amends OPMA to clarify that in times of emergency public bodies may vote, accept public comment, and cause a meeting to be open to the public via electronic media.

The Borough of Flemington is using Zoom.

We will address all questions and general comments of any members of the public after the regular business has been conducted.

We will moderate questions and comments on. Please use the chat feature to indicate that you wish to be recognized for a comment. You can also type in questions. You **MUST** provide your name and address to be recognized for comment. If you have dialed into the meeting, the moderator will request comments from telephone participants separately.

We ask that you keep your device muted until called upon. The meeting's moderator may also mute participants

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Roll Call: Don Eckel, Emily Kelchen, Richard Giffen, and Jennifer Williford were present when the meeting was called to order. Wendy Orr joined the meeting at 7:25. Councilwoman Kim Tilly was also in attendance.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Jennifer Williford moved to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2020 meeting. Richard Giffen seconded the motion, which passed 4-0.

2. Public Comments - None

3. Reports

A. Council - Councilwoman Tilly will update the HPC when the Borough budget process begins.

B. Treasurer - No report.

4. Public Outreach

A. Communication report - Jennifer Williford

B. 2021 postcard - Wendy Orr is taking the lead on this project.

5. Projects

A. Historic District Guidelines - Richard Giffen and Wendy Orr are taking the lead on this project, and working with John Hatch.

B. Certified Local Government - Richard Giffen provided an update on the status of this project. Richard Giffen and Don Eckel are taking the lead on this project.

6. Chair Items

A. Historic District Map - Don Eckel is working to update the map on the HPC website.

Wendy Orr joined the meeting at this point.

B. The HPC discussed goals for 2021.

C. Other Business

- Emily Kelchen resigned her seat on the Commission.

7. Public Comment - None

8. Adjournment

A. The next Commission meeting, which will serve as the reorganization meeting, is scheduled for January 20th, 2020.

Jennifer Williford moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 pm. Richard Giffen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily S. Kelchen, HPC Secretary