

THE READINGTON MUSEUMS  
MUSEUM COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
August 1, 2013

Chairman Jim Horvath called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. He announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act had been met and that the meeting had been duly advertised.

**PRESENT:** Jim Horvath, Erin Brennan, Betty Ann Fort, Nancy O'Malley, Joyce Lykes and Museum Assistant Margaret Smith. A quorum of Committee members was present.

**NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST GRANT:** Betty Ann Fort read a letter that the Township Administrator received from State Senator Kip Bateman, in which he informed the Township of the receipt of a \$10,841 grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Betty Ann moved to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2013 meeting. Joyce Lykes seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed with Jim Horvath abstaining.

**MUSEUM ASSISTANT'S REPORT:** The Committee reviewed and discussed the report. They asked Margaret Smith to investigate the cost of straw hats and mop caps.

**PROGRAMS:**

*July Lecture:* Eleven people attended the breweries lecture, resulting in donations of \$55. Nancy O'Malley questioned why more people weren't attending the lectures. A lecture on antique tools will be held on August 30.

*Monday Mornings:* Ten children attended the first week and 14 the second. Samantha (Gold Award candidate running the program) was doing well and parents were impressed.

*School Programs:* Margaret will contact the schools to schedule the First, Third, Fourth and Fifth Grade programs.

*September Open House:* The Eversole Hall House will be open September 8 for a visit with Mrs. Hall. Margaret and Betty Ann agreed that the house needed cleaning.

*Campanelli Sampler Lecture:* Betty Ann noted that they were not available in September. She will try to set up a date in the Spring.

**PROPERTIES:**

*Bouman Stickney Farmstead:*

Window: Jim reported that the missing window was an Anderson window from the 1950's. Mike Hanrehan will call the Anderson representative to see if it is still available. Jim will follow up with Mike.

Security System: Margaret reported that the police have access to the new cameras at the farmstead on their car computers.

New Well: Jim noted that the well pit has sunk and needs to be filled in. The gutter's downspout also must be moved away from the well.

Eversole Hall House: The front flower beds and the back garden need weeding badly.

Cold Brook School: Margaret announced that Will Getz (Eagle Scout Candidate) received approval to paint the outside of the schoolhouse.

**OTHER MATTERS:**

Wedding: Margaret requested the Committee to approve the application to reserve the barn and grounds on September 14, 2013 for a wedding. Erin Brennan made and Betty Ann seconded the motion, and it was unanimously

RESOLVED, that the application presented to the Committee to reserve the Wycoff Wade Barn and the grounds of the Bouman Stickney Farmstead on September 14, 2013 be, and it hereby is, accepted by the Museums.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Betty Ann moved that the meeting be adjourned. Joyce seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Erin Brennan  
Secretary