

Pompton Lakes Historic Preservation Commission Minutes of May 28, 2019

Laura Jennings, in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-7, opened the meeting of the Pompton Lakes Historic Preservation Commission at 7:02 pm. This meeting has been advertised in the *Suburban Trends* and posted in the Municipal Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Al Evangelista, Laura Jennings, Andrew Krinsley, Keith Lockwood

Absent: Paul Bowlby, Erika Herz, David Rowan

Visitors: Keith Jennings

A motion was made by Keith Lockwood to approve and accept the April 23, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Andrew Krinsley. The motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE and PHONE CALLS:

1. **Sheryl Benedict** – Laura Jennings received email from Sheryl inquiring about her late grandfather George M. Scott. Laura responded that we would check with our sources and possibly find something when we go through storage locker on June 15th.
2. **New Email Address** – The new email address listed on the Pompton Lakes website (historic@pomptonlakes-nj.gov) has received several inquiries from realtors about historic sites. Particularly about renovations planned for the Hamburg Tpk home next to the Rhino 237 Studio. Laura has replied that we have no authority.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Sign locations – Artistic Weaving** Al Evangelista still has not been able to get in touch with original contact. However, he was able to speak to someone else that advised they will get back to him on the placement of the sign. In the meantime, Al will get an official letter from the borough to submit to Artistic Weaving to help move it along. The sign is to be placed between Starbucks and the river. A small ceremony is planned.
2. **Historical Society**– Andrew Krinsley spoke with Steve Edgeller from the Friends of the Library for advice on how to proceed. We will need to apply for a Federal ID, get certified as a 501c3 and then submit a few tax forms that Andrew has already obtained. In addition, Steve Edgeller provided copies of the paperwork that the Friends of the Library submitted for guidance. Andrew provided Laura with copies of the paperwork, including a possible mission statement. Laura will review the paperwork and have the borough attorney reach out to Andrew for further assistance.
3. **Schuyler Colfax House/Interest Meeting** – Al Evangelista advised that the Schuyler house has been sold to a private investor. Although the house is no longer available, we will continue to strive for 501c3 status and fundraise for future plans to make our dreams of a museum come true. Laura emailed Liz Brandness for availability of a facility for an interest meeting.
4. **2020 – 125 Year Anniversary of Pompton Lakes and 1956 Video** – BID has offered to provide light pole banners and “Then and Now” poster window signs for our 125 year Anniversary celebration. Laura received an email from them and will respond with our input. In addition, BID mentioned a town picnic to be held at either

Hershfield Park or Elks. AI advised that the town should be made aware of the plan for a picnic, so it can be added to the budget for next year to allow for additional purchases such as food and entertainment.

5. **Storage Facility** – Saturday, June 15th at 9am we will organize the storage facility to help facilitate finding historical memorabilia. Storage boxes have already been ordered and received. It is recommended to bring tents, tables and chairs.
6. **Pompton Day** – Sunday September 1st is Pompton Day. Registration form was submitted 5/1/19. Volunteers are needed. Reach out to Laura with your availability. AI Evangelista will reach out to BID for possible donation of a tent and table cloth for our Pompton Day table and any future events.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Tour of Butler Museum** – After conclusion of the meeting, a few of us took advantage of a private tour at the Butler Museum.

Our next meeting is June 25, 2019 – at the Pompton Lakes Civic Center, 25 Lenox Avenue, Pompton Lakes, NJ. Please call Laura Jennings at 201-953-9327 or email jennings.lauraf@gmail.com if you cannot attend a meeting.

Having no further business to discuss a motion was made at 7:30 PM to adjourn by AI Evangelista and seconded by Keith Lockwood.

Respectfully submitted, Cristiane Jennings