

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 1/29/26

Attendance :

Carol Barkin
Judith Sacks Bliss
Jean Rich
Linda Forgosh
Linda Wilson
Sarah Harris
Craig Goss
Erin Doherty

Absent:
Pat Sanftner

Call to Order – 7:02pm

OPMA statement read.

1/29/26 minutes were approved with changes
Pat Sanftner took her Oath of Office at Town Hall
Voting for 2026 Chair and Vice Chair:
Carol Barkin was voted as Chair
Judith Sacks Bliss was voted as Vice Chair

Old Business:

- HPC Letters to Homeowners:
 - Jacob Arnold House – Sarah spoke to the owner and will look into the archives
 - Meany Mansion – the owner has applied
 - Set up visit with Virginia Murphy for photos of the winners.
- Dempsey House Binder
 - One should be placed at the Washington Valley Schoolhouse archives.
- Online posts – Washington’s winter in Morristown. Morris Township

New Business:

- On Sunday, February 1st, Morristown will be built in Legos at the Hyatt
 - Linda Forgosh will be attending
 - This is set up by an architect – he does several different Lego city builds.
- 250th Ball – brief discussion on attendance and ticket pricing.
- The Historic wall panels for Town Hall are being stored in conference room 1.
- Trustees are planning to paint the Washington Valley Schoolhouse
 - The windows are painted shut. The windows do have the original glass. Some of the Trustees want to open the windows again. Sarah would like information on a painter or someone to help.
 - Carol will reach out to Amy Curry.
 - It may be possible to get a grant to help with painting and costs.
 - The Trustees can also call the NJ Historic Register for advice on this.
 - Ray Chang grant information. – Becky Hoskins may know about grants.

Next Scheduled Meeting is on February 26, 2026 at 7:00pm via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm