

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTEBELLO WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2008 AT VILLAGE HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:07 PM FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**Roll call.**

Members Present: Hannelore Renud  
Josephine Bracken-Chairwoman  
Sandra Ward  
Wayne Leone  
Chantal Schwartz-Ad Hoc

Others Present: Warren Berbit-Village Attorney  
Craig Long-Village Historian

Members Absent: Valerie Rainford

Chairman Bracken announced that the Minutes from prior meetings are being downsized and they will all be available at the next meeting to be adopted.

**Old Business:**

Member Ward has revised the Certificate of Appropriateness Application. She would like Attorney Berbit to check it over and make certain the wording is correct.

Discussion on the Grant that was sent in for the historical survey. The NYS CLG sent notice back that they needed additional information regarding how the monies will be allocated for the various phases of the survey. Attorney Berbit worked the numbers and the Village has sent the requested material back to them.

Attorney Berbit updated the members on the Fant Property. Mr. Amona is aware of what he can and cannot build. Discussion ensued on the property value.

Members discussed the meeting schedule for the upcoming Holidays and agreed to change the November meeting to November 19th. There will not be a December meeting.

## **New Business:**

The Mayor has submitted a Request for Evaluation. He would like Village Hall to have historic designation. Members discuss this request. Photos were not submitted so Member Leone stated he will take photographs of the structure and property. Members all agree this would be a great idea and commended Mayor Oppenheim for his efforts in filling out the application. The public hearing is set for October 22, 2008 at 7 pm as follows:

### **Resolution: 08-005**

Village of Montebello

Title: Public Hearing

BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to the Application of the Mayor dated September 6, 2008 including as attached thereto his letter dated August 28, 2008, that a public hearing be held on October 22, 2008, beginning at 7:00 PM, local time or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, to consider designating the Village Hall as a local landmark pursuant to §195-60 of the Village Code.

Motion: Sandra Ward

Second: Hannelore Renud

Upon vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

Chairman Bracken asked members how they feel about not receiving "The Local Landmark" monthly newsletter distributed by the NYSCLG. She feels it is a waste of paper and considering all members should be receiving this newsletter via e-mail, two copies are not needed, if something interests anyone they can ask Shelly to print it out and have it at a meeting for discussion. All are in favor of this.

Four times a year a Village newsletter is sent out. Chairwomen Bracken has written the article for the last two publications, and would like to assign members to write an article when it's time. Member Ward will do December '08 and Member Renud will write the article in March '09. The Village Clerk notifies the HPC when an article is due.

Chairwomen Bracken made an announcement that Member Ward is taking a class on designing websites and her site will be about Historically Designated Properties. Member Ward would like to eventually link her site to the Village website. She asks everyone to submit any pictures, stories, articles or other resources they may have on homes and people in Montebello. She is particularly interested in speaking with the Montebello Seniors.

Chairwomen Bracken read the Resolution changing the HPC meeting:

**Resolution 08-006**

Village of Montebello

Title: Change Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Date

BE IT RESOLVED, due to the holidays and subject to availability of the meeting room, that the November meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission be held on November 19, 2008 and that no meeting be held in December.

Motion: Member Ward

Second: Member Renud

Upon vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

Discussion on the progress of the Monsey Jewish Center (Sharray Israel) structure. Members were under the impression the little blue house was going to be lived in, but it looks as if it will be demolished.

Member Renud made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Ward seconded and the motion is carried by all.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.