

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTEBELLO WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2010 AT VILLAGE HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Roll call.

Members Present: Josephine Bracken-Chairperson
Hannelore Renud
Lisa Levin
Lois Williams-Ad Hoc
Jack Muchnick

Others Present: Warren E. Berbit, Village Attorney

Members Absent: Kathryn Cupak

Others Absent: Craig Long-Village Historian

Recording Secretary: Shelly Flanagan-Ramos-Deputy Village Clerk

Member Williams read aloud the Minutes from the previous meeting. Members requested draft minutes be sent (emailed) to them prior to meetings so they have a chance to review them before approving them. Allowing for them to be amended if need be.

Members discussed having a folder with the last years approved minutes on hand at meetings in case they need to go back for reference. New member Muchnick suggested that a bulleted summary be prepared. Attorney Berbit advised the Commission of their obligation with the minutes and resolutions: minutes are not verbatim transcripts; the primary purpose is to record actions taken. Public Hearings are more detailed. No Board or Commission produces bulleted summaries.

Chairperson Bracken discussed the possible break down in communication on the Rio Vista project between the Commission and the Building Inspector.

Attorney Berbit explained the role of the Community Design Review Committee and the members that make up that Committee.

Chairperson Bracken suggested the new member Muchnick try out the bullet idea as far as the minutes are concerned, if he wishes to prepare same for the Historic Preservation Commission.

Discussion on the Johnson House, Chairperson Bracken asked Member Levin to keep in touch with the Building Inspector on this project. Chairperson Bracken would like to hear what the Building Inspector has to say with regard to the Fant Farm cottage.

Jill Fisher will be presenting her Draft findings from the survey to the Commission on May 26. Chairperson Bracken would like to inform the residents of this meeting to get their input. Possibly have a question and answer session. She recommended that Member Williams to get in touch with her to set this meeting up with Ms. Fisher. Chairperson Bracken wonders if the questions and answer session could be set up on Montebello Day, in the Senior Center, with advertisement on the website and in the newsletter.

Discussion that was not practical and turn out at such an event (Montebello Day) might be poor.

Discussion on the Fant Farm Cottage. Chairperson Bracken is not pleased with the architectural outcome of the rebuilding of the cottage. She asked Member Levin to check with the Village Building Inspector on the various aspects of this project to ascertain if the builder has departed from the design specifications.

A motion was made by Member Renud to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Williams. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm