

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTEBELLO WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2014 AT THE MONTEBELLO VILLAGE HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:47 PM, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN.**

**Roll call.**

Members Present: Rosemary Mocio – Acting Chairman  
Dorice Madronero  
Matt Moetzinger  
William Ellsworth  
William Smith

Members Absent: Lisa Levin-Chairman

Other Present: Warren E. Berbit, Village Attorney

Others Absent: Craig Long-Village Historian

Shelly Flanagan-Ramos-Deputy Village Clerk -Transcriber of Minutes

Resolution: 14-001

Village of Montebello

Title: Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission of November 28, 2013, be and are hereby approved.

Motion: Member Ellsworth

Second: Member Madronero

Upon vote, the resolution carried unanimously.

Acting Chair Mocio noted there is \$1500 remaining in the HPC budget that was going to be used for the Village Hall marker, but unfortunately is no longer available to use. Members are not sure why these funds are no longer available, and suggested filling out the application request for the 2014 CLG Grant application from the State. They will request a marker for Village Hall property.

Member Ellsworth was curious as to what account awarded grant monies would go into from the State. Ms. Mocio did not know and directed the question to Attorney Berbit. He responded that if it is grant money earmarked for a specific purpose it would go into the General Fund for that purpose.

Discussion on allotments of budget money and grant money, fees to attend the Camp Training Session coming up in May, and in-kind services.

First item for New Business:

Members are in agreement to submit the 2014 CLG application to request historic markers. Discussion on associated costs, the free-standing bronze plaque for Indian Rock was approximately \$1600 years ago, the Commission figured now to account approximately \$2000.00 for a marker. Craig Long was working on the verbiage of the marker. Members would like to request as much grant money as possible, although specific information will be required when filling out the application request.

Member Ellsworth made a motion to apply for the 2014 CLG Grant in the amount of \$5000.00 for historical markers in the Village of Montebello, seconded by Member Madronero.

Discussion to raise the money request to \$6000.00. Friendly amendment accepted.

All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Mocio asked Mr. Berbit why the \$1500.00 budgeted money for the Commission is no longer available.

Mr. Berbit explained the reason. Budget are usually done in the Fall, and submitted to the Board for budget approval. Members are under the impression that if monies are not used they carry over to the new year. This is not correct. If monies are not used, they are forfeited.

Second item on new business:

CLG Annual Report. There are questions regarding administrative procedures, public support, funding, staffing and enforcement of historic homes that need to be answered on the report before it can be submitted to the State.

Member Smith initiated discussion on jurisdictional issues with the Montebello Road Bridge. He felt the County is not including the Village, (especially the HPC) in on matters to do with the repair/replacement of the bridge. He wants the Village to be more involved. Attorney Berbit stated the construction all has to do with funding, the County does not have a vested interest in saving the bridge.

Discussion continued with various additional questions/answers.

There are 4 historically designated properties in the Village that are going to require a plaque/marker, and members wondered if \$6000.00 was enough money to ask for on the CLG grant request.

Acting Chair Mocio noted that the CAMP training session will take place on May 2, 2014. She did not know if invitations are going to be sent out. It will be discussed more in depth at the next meeting. Also, if the host agency (the village) will be charging a fee for participation for other agencies to attend. It was suggested to make a short list, Ms. Mocio will touch base with Lisa Levin to gain insight to these answers.

An email will be sent to Craig Long regarding the village hall historical marker. Hopefully he can attend the next meeting, this must get done soon. If the grant is not received, how will the marker be paid for? Members would like a copy of the HPC budget for 2014.

The Rockland County Historical Society will be having a workshop on March 11<sup>th</sup> with various school district history departments within the County. Students from the schools have done research and are making presentations on crimes that have been committed in the community. It's at the Comfort Inn in Nanuet. Member Madronero asked the Commission if they would like to buy ad space in the journal they are producing. After discussion all agreed to purchase an ad. She encouraged everyone to come out, it's on a Tuesday.

Member Ellsworth made a motion to purchase a ½ page ad in the amount of \$75 in the journal. Seconded by Member Mocio. An amendment was made to take out a full ad. All were in favor, and the motion carried. **DOES ANYONE KNOW WHAT THE FINAL PRICE WAS FOR A FULL PAGE?**

Members discussed what should be written in the ad. The ad needs to be submitted by February 25<sup>th</sup>. Member Madronero will contact Lisa Levin and Craig Long to see what they may want written in the ad.

Member Smith noted that the date on the survey of his home is written incorrectly in the Historical Architectural Survey Booklet. It was suggested to make the change in the original database that was created.

A motion was made by Member Madronero and seconded by Member Moetzing to adjourn the meeting, all were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.