

# Pompton Lakes Historic Preservation Commission Minutes of January 28, 2020

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 7:04 pm. This meeting has been advertised in the *Suburban Trends* and posted in the Municipal Building.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Paul Bowlby, Al Evangelista, Laura Jennings, Keith Lockwood, David Rowan, Councilman Ek Venin, Mayor Michael Serra

**Visitors:** David Farinick, Karen Murphy, Lisa Ciancarelli

Mayor Michael Serra swore in members Paul Bowlby and Keith Lockwood.

A motion was made by Paul Bowlby to approve and accept the November 26, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Al Evangelista. The motion passed.

## **CORRESPONDENCE and PHONE CALLS:**

1. **Margaret Romaine** – Badges to be donated by Margaret have not been received yet.
2. **Kathryn Deyof Donation** – Kathryn has framed photos of 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment Infantry of Pompton Lakes.
3. **Erika Herz** – Erika has not renewed her term. She will be moving to South Carolina. She has lived in Pompton Lakes for 53 years and will be sorely missed. Erika will be donating her copy of the Pompton Lakes Monopoly game.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Sign locations – Artistic Weaving** Nothing to report at this time.
2. **Historic Society**– Necessary paperwork has been completed and ready to be handed over to whomever will be taking charge. Next step is to recruit members. A group of interested, enthusiastic people that should be different from the Commission board members.
3. **2020 – 125 Year Anniversary of Pompton Lakes and 1956 Video** – Town picnic is planned for July 25, 2020 at Hershfield Park. Much discussion followed on details of the event.

Tilcon has generously provided a \$5,000 t-shirt sponsorship that will be deposited into a borough account reserved for the historic commission. Laura will be given training on how to submit purchase orders to the borough for vendors to get paid. First bill to be submitted will be the 200-piece t-shirt order. T-shirt sales will be done at various town events leading up to the Anniversary celebration, including Easter Egg Hunt, Baseball parade and Memorial Day parade. Monies collected are to be submitted to borough finance department.

“Save the Date” postcards will be left at Pompton Lakes Library and other local locations to help spread the word.

Lisa Ciancarelli from Friends of the Library advised that they want to get involved as well. They have various events coming up where they can help advertise the event. In addition, Lisa can help with press releases and will meet with Laura to discuss details. Mayor Michael Serra commented that the Friends group have only been together for a short time and have already raised close to \$10,000. He highly recommended them as a good source of information. He also advised to contact library director Michael Drazek to coordinate advertising our event.

Karen Murphy from the Pompton Lakes Recreation Department was also in attendance and is going to help us with coordination of our event. It will be handled much like Pompton Day. There will be permits needed for food vendors and other logistical needs that Karen will help us navigate. Karen will meet with Laura to go over the details.

Al Evangelista advised that there is a CERT Team member that owns a Good Humor truck whom he will ask if they might be interested in bringing it to our celebration.

Laura informed members that the Passaic County Historic Baseball Team will not be available for our event.

Details still to be completed include securing a DJ, reaching out to local restaurants and getting volunteers to help. Al Evangelista implored Laura to delegate necessary tasks to board members and not take it on all by herself.

Proclamation for our event is to be scheduled during our April meeting on April 28, 2020 in council chambers. Details will be shared upon confirmation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **2020 Meeting Dates Public Notice** – Motion was made by Dave Rowan to accept presented meeting dates to be submitted to Trends Newspaper, seconded by Keith Lockwood. All in favor. Cristiane will submit to newspaper.
2. **Membership** – Roster was reviewed for accuracy. Andrew Krinsley was removed and has been notified of his removal from the board due to more than 4 consecutive unexcused absences. Going forward, our minutes will reflect and differentiate between absent and excused to help make future decisions of board member participation more accurate. Motion was made by Paul Bowlby to have Keith Lockwood act as Vice-Chair to the board, seconded by Al Evangelista, all in favor. Motion passed. It was noted that there are 4 open positions available on the board. They include Class A, Class C, 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate and 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate members. David Farinick submitted his resume to Laura with intentions of becoming a member.
3. **Lockwood Donation** – Keith Lockwood attends Old Feed Mill Auction on Wootton Ave in Boonton every Friday night hoping to find some historical artifacts. On his last visit he bought an old wooden Dupont blasting cap box that he would like to donate to the historic commission. A label will be affixed to the box indicating that the donation was made by the Lockwood family. Keith also mentioned that a friend of his bought a hutch from the Colfax estate sale with the date 1790 etched inside.
4. **Cataloging Artifacts** – Keith Lockwood suggested that we take pictures of our artifacts and catalog them. In addition, we could display the photos locally at the library or town hall for residents to enjoy. However, Laura advised that the historic commission doesn't have many artifacts in their possession, mostly paperwork. Al Evangelista advised that the Women's Club does have some artifacts that we may be able to help catalog. Lisa Ciancarelli from the Friends of the Library offered to help with that.

**Our next meeting is February 25, 2020, 7:00pm** – 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](mailto:jennings.lauraf@gmail.com) if you cannot attend a meeting.

Having no further business to discuss a motion was made at 8:09 PM to adjourn by Keith Lockwood and seconded by Al Evangelista.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cristiane Jennings