

**HOPE TOWNSHIP  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
Monday September 10, 2018**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:**

George Decker read the "Open Public Meetings Act" statement, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by publishing notice in the New Jersey Herald and by posting notices in the Hope Post Office and on the Township Bulletin Board.

New member Frank Pavese was sworn in at this time.

Present at this meeting were: Emily Brown, Joshua Belverio, Kamil Rogowski, George Decker, Robert May, Frank Pavese and Mayor McDonough Absent were: Verity Fox and Amada Rolfe.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the July 9, 2018 were distributed before the meeting. A motion made by Robert May to approve the minutes, seconded by Joshua Belverio.

**APPLICATIONS:** 18-03 – Hope Board of Education, Block 2700 Lot 700. Zondra Belstra appeared before the Board. They constructed an outdoor classroom, open pavilion with picnic tables.

Board Member Belverio questioned why the Board was getting an application after the work was already done. Mayor McDonough stated the Board of Education had the funds and they wanted to get the construction done before the school year started. He met with the Building Inspector and the Zoning Officer. The application was filed out of courtesy because the School does not have to file an application by law.

Mrs. Belstra stated the roof and the poles were painted green to not make it stand out. The tables are green and black. They are metal with a plastic coating. They would use the area for recess and outdoor classes.

Joshua Belverio made a motion that the project is exempt and they do not need HPC approval, seconded by Robert May. Roll Call was taken all were in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Have secretary add the link for community affairs to the application and talk to the Deputy Clerk about putting the link on the town web site.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**OLD BUSINESS:** Roncoroni property the Mayor is to speak to one of the new owners about the shrubbery and the parking in front of the building.

Kevin Crimmins the secretary to send a certified letter stating we never received a response.

Bank property - The Bank wants to pursue their decision to take the building down. The Mayor is to meet with someone from the bank. The foundation is Moravian stone. The roof has been replaced but the front porch was torn down at some point.

250<sup>th</sup> celebration – Emily stated Betsy Peterson will be doing videos. The picnic will be September 22, 2019. Joshua Belverio is putting together a book. Friday night will be a dinner at the Mill. Tom Gable will be doing walking tours.

**ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business before the Commission, a motion was made by Robert May and seconded by Joshua Belverio to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Decker, Secretary