



Village of Lancaster

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

5423 BROADWAY

LANCASTER, NEW YORK 14086

LANCASTER NEW YORK HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE
AND
THE FRIENDS OF BROADWAY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

S E P T E M B E R 10, 1 9 9 8

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Mr. James Keysa, Chairman
Mrs. Jean Brunea, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Joseph Giallanza
Mrs. Jeannette Pecqueur
Mr. William Harnack
Mr. Michael Meyer
Mrs. Mary Harcrow, Secretary

ABSENT: Dr. Ronald Batt

HEARINGS/DISCUSSION:

A) 5489 Broadway - Dr. Marchetta - sign

Dr. Marchetta and Dr. Flanigan appeared to request permission to put up a new updated sign measuring 64" wide with 6" post. A motion was made by Joe Giallanza to approve as submitted with the color to be dark green which was seconded by Bill Harnack.

B) 5630 Broadway - Gary Worthington - porch

A certificate of appropriateness was received although no one appeared to present the request. A motion was made by Joe Giallanza and seconded by Mike Meyer that this request be denied as it seemed to be changing the style of the house and was felt to be inappropriate. A letter was sent out explaining this and suggesting they appear at the next meeting on October 15.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes of the August 12 meeting were approved by a motion made by Mike Meyer and seconded by Joe Giallanza. These minutes will reflect more details regarding:

The handicap ramp across the front of the building to the east side with granite caps and metal rail, a space for greenery and then the sidewalk again.

The rod iron will match the existing rod iron railings.
 The light will stay.
 The plan on exposing the eyebrow windows which are now covered up.
 The plan on replacing all windows.
 The inside vestibule will be restored, as will the existing ceiling with wainscotting in new area.

Also with regards to the Post Office: Jim will contact SHPO to discuss what was presented thus far and to see if the Post Office has contacted them yet. We will also ask SHPO for guidance in this issue. We will have to get a certificate of appropriateness and put in writing what was decided to be approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A)	LNYHDC -	Professional Services:	\$ 757.00
		Office Supplies:	\$ 594.46
		Dues:	\$ 600.00
B)	FOB -	\$2,844.32.	

OLD BUSINESS:

A) Village Board Resolution - 8/24/98
 MAP:

bridge: Jim wrote a letter to the Mayor regarding replacing the Broadway bridge and the fact that the DOT has done this in the past.

truck traffic: August 31 article in The Buffalo News regarding the alternative accepted with State DOT and Senator Volker to start proceedings to eliminate Broadway being designated as a truck route.

podiatrist' building: Jim also wrote a letter to the DOT clarifying what he said at the meeting concerning acquiring 5433 and 5429 Broadway. He said that 5429 Broadway is an important structure and should not be demolished. However, acquiring 5433 Broadway was a good idea.

condemnation: Letter received by Jim from Dan Biersdorf and Associates stating he is a lead attorney focusing on condemnation laws and that if property owners located within the widening project need any of his services, just contact him.

B) SBL Numbers: This were filed on September 10, 1998. Jim has the final copy which includes all 187 properties.

- C) National Register: Jim reported that Dave Taylor got paid \$1000 for his initial submission as per his contract. Dave is addressing the problems/corrections with Jim's help.
- D) Rite Aide Drug Store: The Buffalo News article on 8/3/98 regarding stopping the drug store on Harlem Road from being built. This was felt to be an important issue and we need to stay on top of the as it evolves in Lancaster.
- E) Presbyterian Church: It was agreed that our stand will be on saving the back house - not demolishing it. It was felt that we will try to accommodate the Church with their revised plans regarding the parking issues.
- F) Prior Hearings:
- No report from Dan on the status on these properties listed. Mary will send Dan a letter asking for a status report before our next meeting.
- 1) Gary Schaff - 41 Central Ave - sign (Credit Union)
 - 2) Coburn - 35 Central Avenue - sign (Construction Co)
 - 3) Coburn - Church Street - windows
- G) The sesquicentennial/Village of Lancaster:
- Mary will send the Mayor a letter asking him where we stand on the sesquicentennial now that all the 4th of July and Taste of Lancaster festivities are over.
- H) Tree Ordinance: We need to put this in writing to submit to the Village Board for approval so that we can make this into a new Village law.
- I) Pete Sweet Lawsuit: Art Herdzik came to report on the status of the lawsuit. Art reported that he has copies of all the properties but, he also needs the boundary map from Dan Bacarri. He reported that he will file the affirmation papers by 9/18/98 and the argument regarding this motion will be heard the third week of October. The case has been assigned to Judge Mintz. A judgment will be given as this is not a jury trial. Jim will receive a copy of all papers before they are submitted. Also keep in mind, that we have the right to appeal if necessary.

NEW BUSINESS:

\$10.00 Processing fee:

Joe Giallanza made a motion to institute a \$10.00 processing fee when submitting a Petition of Certificate of Appropriateness and Mike Meyer seconded. Mary reported this to Dan and he stated that Jim needs to put something in writing to submit to the Board for approval so that this may become part of our bylaws.

"Caring For Your Historic House": It was thought that this would be a good book to order. Mary will order this when it is released which should be late October/early November per publisher. The publisher also reported that it will only be available in hard copy.

CORRESPONDENCE/ARTICLES:

The newest Preservation Catalog will be on file if anyone wants to order from it.

Bill Harnack will fill out the survey received from the Preservation League Statewide Need Assessment.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

The next meeting of the Lancaster Historic District Board is scheduled for THURSDAY October 15, 1998 at 7:00 p.m.

Subsequent meetings are scheduled for **THURSDAY** November 5, 1998 and **THURSDAY** December 3, 1998.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mary Harcrow, Secretary