

6/29/92



HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE / FRIENDS OF BROADWAY

DEPEW/CHEEKTOWAGA TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

JUN 29 1992

June 3, 1992

Attendance

(Those present will have * in front of their names)

Historic District:

- * Mr. James S. Keysa
- * Mr. Edward Mikula
- Mr. Michael Meyer
- * Mr. William Harnack
- * Mrs. Jean Brunea
- * Mrs. Judy Michaels
- * Dr. Paul Kendall

Friends of Broadway:

- * Mr. Chris Brunea
- * Mrs. Jean Brunea
- Dr. Marlene Redlinski
- * Mr. Michael Meyer
- Mr. Robert Deutschlander
- * Miss Kathryn Kochli
- * Mr. William Harnack
- * Mrs. Judy Michaels
- * Mr. James Keysa
- * Dr. Duane Redlinski
- * Dr. Paul Kendall
- Mr. James Delacy
- Dr. Robert Kling
- * Mr. Edward Mikula

Minutes of May 6, 1992

Motion by Mr. Ed Mikula, seconded by Dr. Paul Kendall to approve the minutes of the May 6, 1992 meeting. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

by Dr. Duane Redlinski

- Bank Balance: \$1,091.54
- Expenses: None
- Deposits: \$34.00 T-Shirts & Raffle

HISTORIC DISTRICT

HEARINGS

-Mrs. Molly Mohr 5622 Broadway
 Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Mohr would like to erect a cast iron picket fence. The fence will as nearly as possible be identical to the fence currently bordering the Lancaster Historical Society in the village. Motion by Mr. Ed Mikula, seconded by Dr. Paul Kendall to grant approval. Motion passed. Specifications for the fence will be attached to the filed Certificate of Approval.

-Alice Przybl 5564 Broadway
Mrs. Przybl did not appear for her hearing.

-Mr. Dan Baccari 5481 Broadway
Mr. Baccari was unable to attend but requested board approval for temporarily replacing front steps. Motion by Mrs. Jean Brunea, seconded by Dr. Paul Kendall to approve the repairs to the steps. Motion passed.

MISC.

It was suggested by Dr. Paul Kendall, that we have the hearings first on the agenda to expedite applicants. All agreed that it was a good idea and it will be done in future.

OLD BUSINESS
Historic District

District Resident Letter

-Mr. Keysa to get draft letter from Mr. Bill Harnack.

Historic District Membership

-Letter sent to Lancaster Village Board stating current members names and terms of office. Letter also appointed Mrs. Judy Michaels to replace Johnstone Reid.

Specific Properties

5481-5485 Broadway
Rowhouses

-Letter was received and filed from N.Y.S.E.&G. in regards to the meter locations.

5528 Broadway
Bethany House

-Mr. Keysa to give Gina Bolender draft District Letter for her to use as letter to Bethany House in regards to changes on their property.

Former F. Dickman-Newberry Property
Broadway corner Holland

-Mr. Steven Kohlhagen 15 Holland Ave.
Mr. Kohlhagen owns property directly behind the Matuch property. He is concerned about the fact that the real estates' intention of selling the parcel as three separate lots. Mr. Keysa has made Dan Baccari aware of this.

OLD BUSINESS
Generally

Signs on Broadway

-Discussion ensued regarding the condition and location of the "Burma Shave" signs.

Motion by Dr. Duane Redlinski, seconded by Ms. Judy Michaels to temporarily remove and repair signs. Repairs are to be done by Mr. Micheals with the Friends of Broadway supplying the materials. Dr. Duane Redlinski will remove the signs.

Other Signs

-Sign in front of Lancaster Pizza Works is not within the criteria of the Historic District. Gina Bolender to notify Dan Baccari of this.

Motion by Mrs. Jean Brunea, seconded by Dr. Paul Kendall to send letter to Pizzeria expressing our concerns over their "sandwich sign". Motion passed.

-Mrs. Jean Brunea brought up her concern over "FOR SALE" cars that are parked on front lawns on Broadway. Gina Bolender to notify Dan Baccari of this problem.

4th of July

-It was suggested that the "Stop the Widening" signs be incorporated with the Lancaster Presbyterian group in the parade. Ms. Katherine Kochli said she would contact the church in regards to this idea.

-It was decided to donate "Stop the Widening" T-shirts to the sponsors of the two dunk tanks for the 4th of July celebration. Ms. Katherine Kochli will contact the Presb. church and Dr. Kendall will contact Mr. John Bunting in regards to the number of T-shirts needed.

-We will have a membership and T-Shirt table at the celebration. Schedule for attending table is as follows:

7-9 A.M. = Chris Brunea	9-11 A.M. = Jean Brunea
11-1 P.M. = Jim Keysa	1-2 P.M. = Bill Harnack

Fund Raising Letter
Friends of Broadway

-Mr. Chris Brunea has written and printed about 500 letters.

-One copy of this letter to go out now and one to go out at a later date.

-Ms. Judy Michaels will check on bulk mailing rates.

-This letter is to go out to residents of Broadway and adjacent streets in the villages of Lancaster and Depew.

-May also be distributed through stores.

-Possibility of having an addressing party to mail out or else have the Town of Lancaster print out mailing labels. Ms. Judy Michaels will check with the Town to see if they will do that for us.

-Membership will run from 7/1 to 6/30.

Motion by Mr. Chris Brunea, seconded by Dr. Duane Redlinski to spend \$100.00 to buy a Xerox cartridge to make more copies. Motion passed.

Channel 2 News

-Mr. Jim Parsons will contact Ms. Judy Michaels for any new info. on the "Stop the Widening" project.

Respectfully submitted,



Gina Bolender

FRIENDS OF BROADWAY

Re: Membership Drive

June 15, 1992

Dear Depew/Lancaster Residents:

Even though Senator Volker has announced a compromise with the N.Y.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regarding the widening of Broadway, we are writing to advise you that the DOT still intends to proceed with the Broadway project and will announce plans in the near future. In order to save Broadway, the historic Olmsted area, the Lancaster Historic District, our historic buildings, and communities themselves, the Friends of Broadway are instead working to stop the DOT and the havoc it threatens. The Friends want the Broadway bridges repaired or replaced, but oppose four (4) and five (5) lanes of traffic.

Although the Friends have many professionals volunteering hours of service, we anticipate the need for continued efforts to fight the DOT and to work to save Broadway. Do we want Broadway to resemble Main Street in Williamsville at rush hour? Or, are there viable alternatives available to prevent this community destruction?

The successes of the Friends of Broadway have been many:

1. We have delayed the DOT's plan for a 1991 Broadway widening;
2. We have convinced the DOT to do an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Broadway project. The DOT wanted to ignore state and federal law on this, but our threats of action worked;
3. Most importantly, we have built a citizen group comprised of local citizens who oppose the DOT's plan; and
4. At the request of the DOT, we will provide a CITIZENS ADVISORY PANEL, which will advise the DOT on the Broadway project.