

Minutes
Mt Lebanon Historic Preservation Board
Monday, April 20, 2015, 5 p.m.
Mt Lebanon Municipal Building

Attendance: Joel Cluskey, chair; Michelle Zmijanac, vice chair; Yvette Yescas, Ben Wetmore; Jonathan Hill, Susan Morgans, staff liaison, Jim Wojcik, historical society. **Absent:** Jim Martin, Anna Siefken

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Joel Cluskey called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

CITIZENS COMMENTS There were no citizen comments.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES The March minutes were unanimously approved.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Joel Cluskey proposed that various members have specific assignments to research and then update the entire board as necessary. The tentative assignments are:

Virginia Manor Historic District – Yvette Yescas
Brick Street Retention – Joel Cluskey
Certified Local Government via PHMA – Anna Siefken
Workshops – Michelle Zmijanac
Historic Signage – Ben Wetmore
Historic District Tax Credits – Jonathan Hill
Historic District Walking Tour App – Jim Martin

In addition, Joel Cluskey suggested the following liaisons:

To Economic Development Committee – Ben Wetmore

To Mt. Lebanon Partnership – Joel Cluskey

From Historical Society of Mt. Lebanon – Jim Wojcik

Historical Society President Wojcik suggested it make better sense for him or another representative of the society to come to preservation

board meetings than the reverse, as preservation board meetings are usually shorter and very well-organized.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT: Susan Morgans said that she would like the board's help in planning a coffee for real estate professionals in the fall. Explaining the value of the National Register District will be an important focus of the meeting.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

National Register: Michelle Zmijanac thanked the board for its hard work in planning the successful workshop with Scott Doyle and the reception that followed celebrating our National Register District.

Yvette Yescas would like Susan to send her some photos for the workshop for her blog.

Historic District Signs: Both the historical society and the historic preservation board are looking into signage related to the National Register District. The Society wants to fundraise for its new headquarters by selling small signs that people in the district could place on their historic houses. The board is looking at larger signs that would be placed in visible locations throughout Mt. Lebanon, perhaps stand alone signs, perhaps signs attached to current entry signs. The municipal project will need commission funding and will take more time, so the historical society will move forward but representative of both groups will work together to ensure that the signage is complementary and conveys a consistent message.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:20. Next meeting is Monday, May 18, at 5 .m. in the municipal building.