

# Tinton Falls Historic Preservation Commission

## MINUTES

January 13, 2014

**Meeting called to order:** 19:35

### **Open Public Meetings Act**

**Chair:** Stacey Slowinski

**In attendance:** Andres Palomino, Keith Radhuber, Mike Ruther, Linda Zucaro

**Absent:** Kathy DeAngelo, Ondrea Murphy

**Minutes:** November minutes were approved (there was no December business meeting).

### **Reports:**

#### **Crawford House:**

Remaining Purchases: garden supplies, light fixtures, and a display board will be purchased with 2013 funds. Haven't had feedback.

Thermostat: Received a new battery.

Termite Renewal: Requirements at Boro Hall. Investigation into bat nesting prevention was recommended.

Garden Status: Suggested that garden management comes under the umbrella of Friends of Crawford House. The "Friends" are striving for greater efficiency and scheduled watering. A second garden may be an Eagle Scout project but this has to be finalized before going to Gerry Turning. The location proposed is behind the current Boro Hall.

Electrician/Supplies: Will have to be applied to 2014 budget, both fixtures and services.

Plastering Work: Patch and repair of existing plaster walls in the two main rooms on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Stacey met with Elite Drywall and will begin before the end of the week. Sheet rocking to hide the ducts will be added to his work list. Stacey drafted husband Joe to craft a section of replacement molding so that the plastering can be done correctly.

Use of the House: Woman's Club, Dept. of Recreation etc. were suggested to Boro administration as possible users, among others. The Commission has encouraged administration to ponder the Crawford House's best use.

**MCHC Grant Application:** Usually announcements are made at their January meeting. If grant request for \$5,000.00 is approved, the grant would provide \$5,000.00 and the Boro would provide matching funds of \$5,000.00. Proposed project is the repair, patch, restoration and repainting of the 1<sup>st</sup> floor wood ceiling in the Crawford House. Ira Matthews has been selected as the contractor and his estimate is \$10,114.50.

### **Old Business:**

**Troutman House** (133 Newman Springs Rd.): Philip Troutman had passed away and the property changed hands in March 2012 and was not recorded until May 2013. When current owners were notified of the property's poor condition, they had reported that it was their intention to sell. Keith will check the MLS to see if it's listed. The Commission may help them sell, or recommend an architectural salvage firm, etc.

**Jim Brooks – Construction Update:** Construction is moving along a little slower than Jim Brooks had hoped. The structures are not roofed as of this date.

**Portofino's – Application for New Siding:** the owners (Sal & Rachele Scotto) were seeking approval to install vinyl siding on the Water Street side of their building so that they will be able to keep the building cleaner. The Commission recommended that the owners consider using a Hardy Plank or Certain Teed fiber cement type product and they were open to this suggestion. We have had no follow-up.

### **New Business:**

**Reorganization / Election of Officers:** Stacey Slowinski was elected Chairman and Keith Radhuber was elected Secretary. All 7 members were officially appointed for another term.

**NJ History and Historic Preservation Conference:** Is scheduled for Brookdale College on Thursday, June 5, 2014.

**Next meeting:** February 10, 2014

**Adjourned: 20:35**