

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

## *Official Minutes*

Wednesday, November 20, 2019

5:00 pm

City Hall, One Batavia City Centre, Batavia New York

**Members Present:** *Sharon Burkel, Caroline Hosek, Henry Emmans, Alexis Green, and Ryan Duffy*

**Others Present:** Janice Smith – Recording Secretary

### **I. Call to order:**

The meeting was opened at 5:09 pm by Chairman Sharon Burkel.

### **II. Approval of minutes:**

**Motion by: Ryan Duffy**

Motion was made to approve the meeting minutes for October 2019.

Seconded by: Henry Emmans

Vote for: 5

Abstained: 0

Vote against: 0

### **III. Public Hearings: none**

### **IV. Communications Sent and Received:**

**A. A Letter from Larry Barnes for 10 West Main Street.** Mr. Barnes, City Historian, wrote a letter to City Council regarding the historic importance of 10 West Main Street, the current police station. The City Council has been in discussions of relocating the Police department. Ms. Burkel suggested that the Historic Preservation Commission should do a similar letter to City Council; the commission agreed.

### **V. Old Business:**

**A. Visit 434 East Main Street 10/28/19.** Ms. Burkel, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Emmans, and Ms. Boyd visited 434 East Main Street. Ms. Burkel was surprised that people were living in the apartments because of the conditions. Mr. Duffy stated that he's glad that GCASA will rehab the property.

**B. VA buildings.** Earlier in the year, HPC received a letter stating that the VA may be taking down two buildings on their property. Ms. Burkel asked if anyone had any information. No one had any new information.

### **VI. New Business:**

**A. New Member – Alexis Green.** Ms. Green gave a little back ground about herself and her experience with historic preservation. Ms. Green has over 12 plus years' experience with Section 106, National Historic Preservation of Properties, through her work.

**B. Meeting dates for 2020.** Everyone approved.

**C. Training in December 2019.** Ms. Burkel stated that the next meeting will be a webinar training.

**D. 4 Mix Place.** Ms. Burkel shared with the commission that 4 Mix Pl. is in foreclosure.

## **VII. Adjournment**

### **Motion by: Ryan Duffy**

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 5:48 pm.

Seconded by: **Caroline Hosek**

Vote for: 5

Vote against: 0

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Janice Smith

Recording Secretary