

**TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
NOVEMBER 10, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

The November 10, 2020 Historic Preservation Commission meeting was conducted via the Zoom Video Conferencing Application.

Chairman Doug Swenson called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Ms. Mitchell read the Open Public Meeting Notice: The Open Public Meeting of the Wyckoff Historic Preservation Commission is now in session. A 48-hour notice of this meeting was sent to the Record, The Ridgewood News, and the North Jersey Herald and News – all newspapers having general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff and was posted on the Wyckoff website where agendas are posted.

Roll Call

Present: Township Committeepersons Beth Fischer and Rudy Boonstra. Commission Members: Doug Swenson, Patricia Constance, Richard Lynch, Curtis Bajak, Joseph Cestaro, Joseph Haftek and Maureen Mitchell.

Absent: Steven Zmuda and Beth Van Emburgh.

Old Business

The October 13, 2020 meeting minutes were approved by the Commission Members.

New Business

There was a discussion regarding the inclusion of historic homes in Wyckoff into the Historic Element of the Township of Wyckoff's Master Plan. Mr. Swenson stated that the format used by the Federal Government is outdated and it would be best to use the State's base form instead. He added that State and County authorities on this issue have suggested placing as many homes as possible on the list in the first round. After researching which homes meet the criteria outlined in Wyckoff Ordinance #1876, the list would be presented to the Planning Board for review and then on to the Township Committee to see if they are in agreement with the home selections. Those homes would then be listed in the Historic Element of the Master Plan.

The Commission Members discussed ways to engage and inform the owners of historic homes in Wyckoff of the purpose and goal of the Commission, which is to preserve the historic homes in town, without placing unrealistic constraints on the homeowners. The consensus was that educating people about the Historic Preservation Commission and its purpose, by way of various media outlets, would be extremely advantageous.

The Commission will focus on the process required to move forward with presenting the fourteen (14) homes, which are already on the State and National Registers of Historic Places, to the Planning Board and Township Committee for consideration on the Historic Element of the Master Plan.

Ms. Mitchell will create the HPC meeting schedule for 2021 with meetings to be held on the second Tuesday of each month except for July and August.

The Historic Preservation Commission meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maureen Mitchell  
Commission Member and Secretary