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## HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

### Historic Preservation Commission Ocean City, New Jersey

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 3, 2014

City Hall – 9<sup>th</sup> & Asbury Avenue – 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Jack Ball, Ken Cooper, Susan Matthews, Jeffrey Sutherland, John Loeper, Jeff Frost  
James Stever

Absent – Marian Talese, Leslie Skibo

Diane Chase – Recording Secretary

Mark Stein – HPC Attorney

#### Flag Salute

Jack Ball called the meeting to order. The meeting has been advertised pursuant to P.L., 1974 Chapter 231, also known as the Open Public Meeting Act.

Jack Ball presented Fred Miller with a Certificate of Recognition for all his years of service as a volunteer on the Historic Preservation Commission.

Minutes were read from the May 6, 2014 Historic Preservation Commission meeting. A motion to accept the May 6, 2014 Historic Preservation Meeting Minutes was made by Ken Cooper and a second motion was made by Jeff Frost. All were in favor.

Jack Ball discussed the survey/letter Councilman Allegretto mailed to all the property owners in the Historic District. The letter asked for opinions for two of many proposed changes in the Historic District Ordinance. Jack Ball asked the members to review a draft letter he prepared which gives an explanation and reasoning for the two proposed changes in the Historic District Ordinance. Jack Ball said Councilman Hartzell would hand deliver the letter to all the residents in the Historic District once it became finalized. The members of the commission voiced their opinion on the draft letter. Ken Cooper and John Loeper did not agree with some of the language proposed in the draft letter. Susan Matthews would like the letter to go out. Susan Matthews and Jeff Frost stated they are very disappointed the letter from Councilman Allegretto was mailed out without asking for the opinion of the commission members. Mark Stein suggested going before council and asking for the revised changes to the Historic District Ordinance without the two issues holding it up. The members agreed wording needs to be inserted into the revised ordinance to have three consecutive summer months to advertise the property for sale. Jeffrey Sutherland suggested going before council with comments, questions, concerns, etc. Jack Ball stated the members of the commission will wait until June 14<sup>th</sup> for the response from the survey mailed out by Councilman Allegretto. A motion was made by Jeffrey Sutherland to withhold sending the proposed response letter to the property owners in the Historic District and created by Jack Ball

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and a second motion was made by Jeff Frost. 6 – Yes 1 Abstained. The membership would like Mark Stein to speak to Council regarding moving forward with the revised ordinance if the remaining two issues cannot be resolved at the present time without further discussion. Mark Stein asked to have a sub-committee formed to prepare to go before council. The members agreed to have Jack Ball, Jeffrey Sutherland and John Loeper on the sub-committee. The members agreed to have Mark Stein come before council at the next available City Council Meeting.

Jack Ball opened the floor to Public Comment – No Public Comment

Old Business – Susan Matthews would like to see the corner of 9<sup>th</sup> & Wesley cleaned up and maintained throughout the year.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jeffrey Sutherland and a second motion was made by Ken Cooper.



Jack Ball, Chairman



Diane M. Chase, Recording Secretary