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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Historic Preservation Commission Ocean City, New Jersey

Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 1, 2013
Senior Center – 18th & Haven Avenue
Roll Call: Jack Ball, Ken Cooper, Marian Talese, Fred Miller, Susan Matthews, Leslie Skibo Absent – John Loeper, Jeff Frost, Jeff Sutherland
Diane Chase – Recording Secretary

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.

Flag Salute

Minutes were read from the August 6, 2013 Historic Preservation Commission meeting. A motion to accept the August 6, 2013 Historic Preservation Meeting Minutes was made by Fred Miller and a second motion was made by Ken Cooper. All were in favor.

Debbie Kelly from Preservation New Jersey spoke to the commission members about different programs available to home owners who have been damaged by Hurricane Sandy. Ms. Kelly mentioned HUD Programs, Demolition Programs and Elevation Programs are available at the present time. There is 13 million dollars from the National Park Service for Historic Preservation Funding. Ms. Kelly stated there may be grants up to \$150,000 for homes 50 years or older that are listed on the Local, National or State Register.

The commission members asked many questions to Ms. Kelly in reference to what the elevation of buildings will do to the Historic District. Flood insurance will be driven high if people don't elevate which is of great concern to the property owners. Ken Cooper stated property owners in the Historic District want answers and need to be directed to someone for guidance and advice.

Jack Ball talked about how towns should be concentrating on bulkhead systems mitigating the risk of future flooding as oppose to acting on the elevation of individual properties.

The membership discussed the final version of the revised ordinance for the Historic District. A motion to bring the revised Historic District ordinance before Council was made by Ken Cooper and a second motion was made by Marian Talese. All were in favor.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Fred Miller and a second motion was made by Ken Cooper.

Jack Ball, Chairman

Diane M. Chase, Recording Secretary

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