

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LANDMARKS COMMISSION OF THE
BOROUGH OF SADDLE RIVER
HELD JUNE 24, 2015**

PRESENT: Commission Chairman Jon Kurpis; Commission Members: Mary Bello,
Joanne Kakaty, Ferne Lambert

ABSENT: Commission Members: Gloria Blumenthal Maria Harper, John Lasalandra
Michael Trepicchio, Council Rep. Al Kurpis

PRESIDING: The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE: "Notice of this meeting in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231 of the laws of 1975, has been given by posting a notice of the scheduled dates of all regular meetings of the Landmarks Commission of the Borough of Saddle River on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and in the office of the Borough Clerk and by emailing a notice thereof to the Herald News and The Record on December 31, 2014 and on the Borough website.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made to approve the April 22, 2015 minutes by Jon Kurpis.
Seconded by Joanne Kakaty
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

DESIGNATION/APPLICATIONS: There were none.

WORK SESSION:

Saddle River Museum: Jon Kurpis stated that the fifth grade students from Wandell School toured the Museum on June 10th and viewed the artifacts. The students were familiar with the Museum and engaged in learning about Saddle River's rich historical past. He further stated that he would like to address having a community garden in the rear of the Museum and having the Saddle River Garden Club maintain it.

Jon Kurpis discussed the Borough's COAH obligation moving forward and stated that he wants to insure that the Museum property remains exempt from this use.

Joanne Kakaty stated that the Garden Club would like to design and install landscaping in the rear of the Saddle River Museum and this was discussed in detail. The path is in need of being replaced as well and this work will be proposed to be completed in the fall, depending on the available budget. She further stated that the Community Garden should stay on the Marker property. Ferne Lambert was in agreement.

Ferne Lambert addressed the interior of the Bishop House, stressing that it is in need of some changes. A meeting will take place shortly with members of the Foundation in order to determine what work needs to be done. The interior needs to be painted and some of the furniture will be removed in order to make room for card tables and folding chairs. Exterior work needs to be done as well, including some landscaping and paver repairs.

Jon Kurpis stated that he would like to see this work completed in order for the Bishop House to be utilized by any interested parties.