

**TOWN OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

**November 7, 2017**

In attendance: Town Historian: John Pinna  
Commissioners: Daniel Fannon, Yvonne Laube, and Coleen McCarthy  
Visitor: Ann Shershin

Meeting was called to order at 7:21 p.m. by John Pinna.

**Minutes:** No minutes. Annon Adams is in Lutheran Care recovering from hip surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope she is back with us soon.

**Old Business**

**Arthur S. May School:** Coleen McCarthy attended the Town Department meeting on the Raymond Avenue School project. There will be no hotel due to having to line up the entrance for the site with Davis Avenue and not leaving enough space for the hotel. They discussed having a gated emergency exit through the adjoining property, Collegeview Towers. Also discussed keeping up the stone outcropping across the back and planting a hedge along the Collegeview Towers side. Other elements they discussed having on the site include a green roof, orange glow for interior roads, walkway, dog park, and pool. There was a question about how many soil samples had been taken without a Town employee being present. They are talking about adding an elevator to the back of the school building. The original cafeteria/auditorium has been located in the oldest section of the school. John Pinna has contacted with Arthur May's daughter who in turn got John in touch with a teacher who worked in the school at the beginning and also the teacher's association who had the names of three other teachers who worked in the school early on.

**Plaques:** John is working out the dates for presentation of the plaques to the Violet Avenue School, New Hackensack house, and Channingville Road house.

**Gibson Inn:** Bob Dooley is interested in getting federal tax credits. We will work with him to help get state, national, and local designation.

**Parrish House:** The owner is going to paint the house and wants to put a tin roof on the porches. They will be coming to us in the spring.

**HVFCU Coppola's Site:** Michael Valentino is asking for the significant dates in the history of the Westervelt House that was on that site. John Pinna is asking to be part of the program during the dedication in January or February.

**Hudson Heritage Site:** The FEIS has been accepted by the planning board as complete. It will be going back before the Town Board sometime in November, December, or later. John Lawson of Rhinebeck wrote a letter to the editor with concerns about the traffic and opposed to the development.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Submitted by Ann Shershin.

Minutes were read and approved on December 5, 2017.