

Town of Red Hook

St. Margaret's Committee

Minutes: February 26, 2014

Attendance: Chairman Paul Fredricks, Ralph Frisenda, Mike Brown and Rosemarie Zengen

Guests: Christina Zengen and Arlene Wege (Red Hook Observer Reporter)

Location: The Red Hook Grange Hall

Call To Order: Chairman Fredricks called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM. There was a quorum.

MOTION: *Michael Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 16, 2014 meeting. Ralph Frisenda seconded the motion. All were in agreement.*

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Chairman Fredricks stated that he had spoken to The Poughkeepsie based Paranormal Investigation Group and that they could conduct their investigation at St. Margaret's either on April 5, 2014 or April 12, 2014. *Ralph Frisenda mad a motion that The Paranormal Investigation be conducted on April 5. Michael Brown seconded the motion. All were in agreement.*
Rosemarie Zengen thought that perhaps it should be conducted either early in the day or later in the day. It would be easier for her that way. Paul will let us know if Committee Members can even attend the The Investigation. Chairman Fredricks stated that he will find out who can attend and what time of the day is best for The Paranormal Group. The Paranormal Group has a B+ rating on the Internet.
2. Supervisor Crane had called Chairman Fredricks about several students from Bard College doing an art exhibit at St. Margaret's Home. Chairman Fredricks and Rosemarie Zengen met with two Bard Curatorial Students at St. Margaret's in early February. The students felt that St. Margaret's was too large a building to present their exhibit. The students were going to explore other possibilities before committing to us. They suggested "The Quitman House might be more conductive for their exhibit." They called their exhibit "a living portrait of Art." It's a new expression of living art. The Bard Students will contact Chairman Fredricks in a few weeks with their decision.
3. The Committee confirmed again that The St. Margaret's Committee will not participate in Arbor Day, but will participate in Hardscrabble Day. April is just

too busy a month for committee members to donate their time.

4. Chairman Fredricks had spoken to Phil Seymour again concerning a floor plan at The Historic Site. They both agreed that it was too cold at St. Margaret's (no heating system) to do the floor plan until The Spring. Chairman Fredricks had talked to several young men who might be interested in apprenticing with Phil Seymour for The Floor Plan Project.
5. Chairman Fredricks met with Winty Aldridge recently. Mr Aldridge is trying to look into possible grants and funding for St. Margaret's.

NEW BUSINESS

1. There's still a snowmobiling problem happening at St. Margaret's. Rosemarie Zengen said she saw about eight snowmobilers outside Max's Barbeque Restaurant and asked them "to please not snowmobile at St. Margaret's." They said "they had not been there and were snowmobiling behind Stewart's." We feel we need to put more "No Trespassing" signs on the property. We'll talk to Dr. Ross to see if he can do anything. Rosemarie Zengen asked Mike Brown if there was anything more The Red Hook Village Police could do. We're worried that one of the snowmobilers might get injured. Ralph Frisenda wondered if The Town of Red Hook would be sued if a mishap occurred.
2. We are very grateful to Arlene Wege from The Red Hook Observer for attending another one of our meetings. Arlene Wege stated that she would like to be able to have The St. Margaret's Article she wrote printed in The March 26, 2014 issue of The Observer. Rosemarie Zengen asked Ms. Wege if it would be possible for Chairman Fredricks and herself to look over her article prior to it going to print. Ms. Wege agreed. All members were grateful for Ms. Wege's enthusiasm concerning The St. Margaret's Committee.
3. The Committee is in agreement that three thousand (3,000) Red Hook Residents should be included in The Spring or Summer Telephone Survey. Rosemarie Zengen said that she would contact County Executive Marcus Molinaro to see what he thought about the number of people that should be surveyed, how many questions should be asked, and what questions in particular. Mike Brown thought it would be a good idea to invite Mr. Molinaro to our next meeting. We'd like to also get Dr. Ross's feedback about where, when and how we should conduct The Survey.
4. Rosemarie Zengen stated that she had spoken to Kim Keil, a Red Hook Chamber Member, and that Ms. Keil said she would be glad to speak with Our Committee about some Heating Alternatives for St. Margaret's. Ms. Keil works for Valley Oil Company. *Mike Brown made the motion that we listen to what she has to say. Ralph Frisenda seconded the motion. All agreed.* We know that The Red Hook Town Board makes the decisions about heating and receives all bids.

Adjournment

Rosemarie Zengen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35. Mike Brown seconded the motion. All Agreed.

Our Next Meeting will be on March 25,2014 a 7 PM at The Red Hook Grange Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Zengen