

## Town of Red Hook

### St. Margaret's Committee

### **Minutes: December 18, 2014**

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

**Guests:** None

**Location:** The Red Hook Grange Hall

**Call to Order:** Chairman Fredricks called the meeting to order at 3 PM. There was a quorum.

**MOTION:** *Mike Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 2014 meeting. Kathy Douris seconded the motion. All were in agreement.*

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. There was a discussion about The St. Margaret's Committee's Involvement in WinterFest 2014.
  - A. Several Hundred Kids and Parents came to The Grange Hall either to see Santa Claus and/or taste all the wonderful desserts purchased or made by St. Margaret's Committee Members.
  - B. The St. Margaret's Committee Banner appeared behind a long table of all types of complimentary desserts and beverages.
2. Ralph Frisenda, all agreed, was the Very Best Santa anywhere. He was so good that County Executive Marcus Molinaro is going to include him in his special portfolio of "Wonderful Happenings in Dutchess County".
3. Rosemarie Zengen suggested we put up a collage of photos taken by Robert Lachman and Brooke Fedigan on one of the bulletin boards in Town Hall.
4. Village Mayor Ed Blundell, originated and does a good job with

WinterFest every year. Kathy Douris and Paul Fredricks wished that he had done a better job of promoting the event on Panda, The Poughkeepsie Journal and Time Warner Cable News, etc. Nonetheless, 24 more surveys were filled out by Town Residents concerning the possible uses for The St. Margaret's Home.

5. Rosemarie Zengen stated, once again, Dr. and Mrs. James Ross made The Grange Hall a welcoming place to be and to set up The Christmas Event for The Community.
6. Chairman Paul Fredricks was so pleased that The St. Margaret's Committee got another opportunity to show its efforts to restore Our National Historic Landmark and receive support from The Red Hook Community.
7. Mike Brown stated that we should begin earlier next year to plan The Christmas Event at The Grange Hall. All Committee Members thanked Mike Brown and Ralph Frisenda for all the time they donated for The Event.
8. Rosemarie Zengen stated that she would run a two page article on The St. Margaret's Home input in WinterFest in her January 2015 issue of "The Red Hook Farmer's Quarterly". Everyone liked the idea.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. Rosemarie Zengen and County Executive Marcus Molinaro will meet during the first week of January to discuss all the surveys collected and how to present the findings to The Red Hook Town Board.
2. Chairman Fredricks suggested that whatever Spring Event or Summer Event The St. Margaret's Committee participates in should include getting more surveys turned in. He stated "the more The Public knows about St. Margaret's, the more support we'll receive to achieve our goals." *Mike Brown made a motion that St. Margaret's Surveys continue to be available to The Public. Ralph Frisenda seconded the motion. All Agreed.*
3. Chairman Fredricks asked Rosemarie Zengen to write The Red Hook Town Board concerning the findings of the survey. Rosemarie Zengen stated she would not send any letter to The Town Board until the majority of St. Margaret's Committee Members had read the letter and had agreed on its content.
4. Chairman Paul Fredricks stated he was very concerned about his health and stated that he was grateful for all the time the rest of the Committee had put into The Surveys and WinterFest 2014. "My wish is that The St. Margaret's Committee continue its good efforts to restore The National Historic Landmark. We Can do it!"

**Adjournment**

*Mike Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 PM. Ralph Frisenda seconded the motion. All Agreed.*

**Our Next Meeting** will be January 19, 2015 at The Grange Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rosemarie Zengen

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