

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
PRESERVE SENECA FALLS, INC.
ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2017**

The Board of Directors of Preserve Seneca Falls, Inc. held a continuation of its Organizational meeting on September 26, 2017 2015, at 5:00 p.m. at the Seneca Falls Heritage Center Fall Street Seneca Falls New York.

Board members Lyn Bove, Doug Avery, Fran Caraccilo, Emil Bove, Christopher Lytle, Chris Poduzweit, and Kathy Jans-Duffy were in attendance. John Strawway was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 5:0

Review of July Minutes: Noted that Wikipedia is the best site for information on Seneca County Historic Sites, Falls Street, Historic District, and Trinity Lane.

Move to approve minutes by Fran Caraccilo, second, by Chris Lytle and approved with additions.

By-Laws: added dissolution procedures section XI Move to adopt by Fran Caraccilo, second, by Doug Avery and approved.

Election of Officers: Slate presented

President - Emil Bove

Vice President – Chris Lytle

Secretary – Kathy Jans-Duffy

Treasurer – Fran Caraccilo

Move to elect the slate as presented, Emil Bove second by Kathy Jans-Duffy and approved

Banking requirements: A checking account has been opened at Chemung Trust, two signatures will be required on all checks. These will be the President, Secretary or the Treasurer. Move to approve Fran Caraccilo, second, by Doug Avery and approved.

Move to apply for tax exempt status by Lyn Bove, second Chris Lytle and approved.

Mission Statement – “Preserve Seneca Falls is a non-profit organization that works through education and advocacy to recognize, preserve and revitalize the Historic, Architectural, and Cultural Resources of Seneca Falls.” Move to accept Doug Avery, second, Chris Lytle and approved.

Discussion –

1. Old Trinity Church Re-use – work has started, there will be 2 accessible apartments on the lower level and six apartments above windows will appear as original and the exterior will cladding as before.
2. Historic Documents have been removed from the former planning office – original “Blue Form” files, slides and grant information to the Visitors Center, where they will be available for research.

3. Former Wesleyan/ Baptist Church to be reused by Seneca County Community Players, work with the Landmark Society for possible professional help and grant possibilities.

Various Historic District Maps are being worked by Fran Caraccilo and Chris Poduzweit, they should be ready soon and available on line.

Landmark Society Affiliation – Explore the options of being individual members or affiliate and how will our mission be met and enhanced by this connection? We should also look at Preserve New York and Preservation Society, should we belong to all or what might be the most advantageous.

How do we let people know that Preserve Seneca Falls is here to help them – we will need to know what is available for private homeowners and business investment.

- A. Website, Chris Poduzweit, Doug Avery, Chris Lytle and Fran Caraccilo
- B. "Town Hall" informational meetings
- C. Presentation to Town Board – information only not a solicitation for funds
- D. Chris Poduzweit, Doug Avery, Chris Lytle and Fran Caraccilo will work on a program
- E. Contact town grant writer or work with Landmark Society

Research grants at various levels

Move to adjourn Emil Bove, second Chris Lytle , carried

Dated

KATHY JANS DUFFY SECRETARY