

Stuyvesant Railroad Station Restoration Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of
June 21, 2008

Chair: Ron Knott

Secretary: Marilyn Burch

Members Attending: Lee Jamison, Richard Moran, Cal Burch, Richard Anderson, Karen Hummel, and Mary K. Kilcer

The meeting, held at the station, began a few minutes after 9:00 AM. Lee made the motion to accept last month's minutes, seconded by Cal. In discussing the Farmers' Market, Marilyn made a plea for some help. Lee pointed out that Lori Seldon, of Mexican Radio, had offered to meet with us and help with some fresh ideas. Another suggestion was to advertise in the Hudson River Sampler, as well as the other two county papers. Karen suggested that the sign out on the corner of Rtes. 9J and 26A could be improved by adding what vegetables or fruits are available - such as corn or tomatoes. Even though Monkshood is concentrating on their CSA this year, people would like to be able to buy smaller quantities of vegetables than what a CSA share provides.

The Historic Postcard Show was interesting and educational. Those who attended the Millay Colony Fund-Raiser said it was wonderful. John and Isabelle are working on the Bastille Day Painting Workshop. It will be limited to 10 people. They are suggesting that each participant bring a bag lunch so they can lower the cost this time. We will talk to Juanita Knott about how we can help with Historic Stuyvesant Day. As for other ideas, we could invite the Chamber of Commerce to hold a Business After Hours event at the station. We can hold a "Taste of Buffalo" event. Marilyn suggested showing "Rocky Horror Picture Show" on Halloween, turning our annual event into an adult party. Lee suggested that we should have a protocol for approving events.

Discussing grants, Ron stated that the DOT grant was still moving along, if slowly. Documentation of all our events might be helpful, such as letters to the editor. Karen and Ron are working on resubmitting the application for a Rheinstrom Hill Foundation grant. Lee mentioned the Central New England Railroad group which holds highly successful tours each spring and wondered if there might be a NY Central Railroad group locally. We could apply to the NYS Council of Humanities for a grant for a speaker, such as the library's transportation speaker.

There was a suggestion that music would be nice and Marilyn pointed out the first night of the Farmers' Market had a Music Festival, so it can be done. The drum circle is coming down to the market each month, also. We could contact the various town groups to invite them to participate in our events.

Our next meeting will be held at the station on July 19. Karen made the motion to adjourn, seconded by both Lee and Mary.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Burch

