

Stuyvesant Railroad Station Restoration Committee
Minutes of the Meeting of
September 20, 2008

Chair: Ron Knott

Secretary: Marilyn Burch

Member Attending: Lee F. Jamison

The meeting, held at the station, began at 9:15. Lee made the motion to accept last month's minutes, seconded by Ron.

Marilyn reported that the Farmers' Market was almost done for the year. The Bake Sale, held there each week, has been very successful, bringing in about \$100 a week. Last night's event, A Taste of Thailand, was wonderful. Christy McNair, along with her family and friends, transformed the station into a Thai restaurant. It would be great if she came back next year, perhaps earlier in the summer so the sun isn't setting quite so early. The food was delicious and reasonably priced. We briefly discussed having ethnic dinners each month next year when the station is usable. Tim Gordon, Assemblyman, will be arriving next Friday at the farmers' market by boat. Marilyn said she would be submitting articles and advertising to the local papers.

In discussing the Halloween event, Ron pointed out that kids might be too hyper on Halloween night to sit and watch a full-length movie. Perhaps short films or cartoons would work better. Marilyn will check with her son, Erik. We need to see if the popcorn machine is working. We could also serve cider. As for the Holiday party, we need more lights. Icicle lights might really look good around the perimeter of the canopy. We need to ask Lisanne about the cookbook. We will sell cookies again this year, as well as inviting Santa and setting up the model railroad.

Ron reported that the DOT had contacted him with a couple of questions and corrections for the grant application. The architect will take care of it for re-submission. He pointed out that compared to multi-million dollar grants, the usual for DOT, our station project is a very small fish. The town is aware that once the grant comes through, it will require about \$20,000 in matching funds, and has identified those funds as being available in the unexpended funds account.

Ron repaired the motion detector and that light is working again.

We discussed inviting Matt Locricchio with his new cookbook in the spring. Next year will be the quadricentennial celebration. There will be many events held the weekend of September 19. There will be fireworks on Sunday night. We could serve hotdogs, hamburgers or barbeque.

The next meeting will be held on October 18, at the station if weather permits.

Ron made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Lee.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Burch