

**Village of Brockport  
Historic Preservation Board  
Meeting  
May 21, 2015**

**Call to order:** 7:21pm

**Members Present:** Bill Andrews, Pam Ketchum, Kevin McCarthy, Sri Ram Bakshi

**Also Present:**

**Approval of minutes:** 3/19/15, 4/16/15 minutes were approved. Motion by Andrews, second by McCarthy. All in favor.

**Old Business:**

Progress on Main Street Grant – Bill Andrews reported on the applications filed for the grants. Pete Apicella, Mitch Newman and Carlos Zaragossa have applied. Mitch Newman has applied for a roof grant and the quotes have been done. Carlos Zaragossa has applied for windows.

Progress on the State & National Nomination – The State and National Preservation Board will be meeting in mid June to consider the applications for nomination. Ours will be among them. Virginia Bartos will notify us when a decision is made.

Bird Feeders – There continues to be concern about the bird feeder on Main Street especially the droppings which litter the sidewalk. It was felt that Sri Ram Bakshi should be in charge of dealing with this issue.

Low Bridge High Water – Tom Grasso's talk 5/14 at the Morgan Manning House was a well attended opening to the Low Bridge High Water Festival.

**New Business:**

East Rochester Field Trip – Today's trip to meet with East Rochester Code Enforcement was quite successful. About 10 of us from the Board and the Village government met with the Code Enforcement Officer and his assistant. They gave us quite a bit of information on controlling compliance with the codes. He suggested that with rental owners it is always effective to impact their economy. He also stated that you should not become friends with the owners. If there is a violation, he sends photos of it with the violation notice and detailed descriptions. They also record everything. They have very clearly defined codes. It is his responsibility to see that they are met and he has clearly defined processes to achieve it.

Art of Preservation Conference – 4/16-4/18 – Several of the Board members attended the conference which they felt offered diverse sessions about everything from arts and adaptive reuse to New York tax credits.

Clarkson Academy – wrote the Board a thank you for nominating them for an Excellence in Preservation Award through the Preservation League of New York. While they did not win the award, they were appreciative of our nomination.

**Adjourned:** 8:16pm

**Next meeting:** June 19, 2015