

Minutes

Raritan Historic & Cultural Committee

May 20, 2026, Basement Meeting Room, 6:30pm

Call to order and salute to flag

In Attendance: Karen Eastlund, Gail Ostapczuk, Dave Fritzingler, Christine Benato, Fulvio Benato, Joyce Tronolone, Ed Ruzbarsky, Jane Fidacaro, Jim Fidacaro

Excused: Dawn Wilde, Mark Esposito

Unexcused: Tim Rack, Adam Armahizer

Guests:

Secretary's minutes

- Motion to approve as amended. Seconded. All approve

Treasurer's report

- Temporary Budget: \$3073.72
- Trust: \$1246.15
- Motion to approve report. Seconded. All approve

Old Business

- Library programs
 - Matthew Dodd
 - Saturday June 27, 2026, Songs & Stories of the American Revolution, 1PM
 - On Library calendar
 - Will be held in the community room at the Raritan Public Library
 - All ages
 - \$400
 - Flyer is on Facebook
 - David Lang
 - Stipend of \$200 has been paid
- Storage Unit
 - Ongoing issues with storage. Owners published a note that our committee was delayed in payment and that they were going to liquidate.
 - Looking for other locations
- Facebook
 - In the process of removing the group page.
 - Adding "A Project of RHCC" to the Page being kept

New Business

- Reprints of pamphlet – 250 new copies
 - Award ceremony is Wednesday, May 27, 7PM, ENC
- Artifact Cataloging
 - Everything was inventoried that is in the storage unit
 - Working on getting flash drive compiled with all the information over to Tori so that it can all be added to the Boro's insurance policy
- Custom case for cornerstone
 - In progress
- Purchases
 - Photos \$3.50
- New exhibit for library
 - Karen and Tim have been working on, mostly done at this point
- Permission to hang three banners
 - Knox Porter: one up by the original house location (Burger King), one over Somerset Street, and one on the First Avenue train bridge
- Raritan Borough Street Fair
 - No further information has been gathered, waiting to hear more
 - Will discuss further at the June meeting
- 250th Hats
 - Looking into a 250th banner instead of hats for everyone
 - Could be displayed at the Street Fair and during the Basilone Parade
 - Motion to purchase a banner. Seconded. All in favor.

Adjournment 7:11pm.