The scheduled meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) of the Village of Fayetteville was held at the Village Hall located at 425 E. Genesee St. at 7:00 PM.

Present: Craig Polhamus, Pam Bender, Elizabeth Russell, Ronald Russell. [Absent: Greg Daily, Richard Greene, Nikki Waters]

Minutes: A motion to approve the January 2020 minutes was made by Pam Bender, seconded by Elizabeth Russell, and approved by all. [There were no meetings held in November & December.]

Trinity Church Update was presented by Carter Strickland and Jim Heffernan to inform the commission of a study completed by Crawford and Stearns on the building which will be celebrating its 150th anniversary. It was noted it’s the 190th anniversary of the congregation. The study indicated that the building is in need of repairs and upgrades costing approximately $1.6 million. They have begun a 3-year campaign seeking donations and grants to help with this capital project. The main focus will be to restore the roof to the slate look it had in the 1800s by replacing the current asphalt shingles installed around 1988. The prior roof also had dormers that they wish to restore. Originally there was a steeple made of wood atop of the stone tower; they were advised not to replace the steeple as the stone tower needs masonry work as well.

The church is considering roofing by EcoStar that is simulated slate made from recycled rubber materials. There is a church in Colton, NY that installed a similar product a few years ago and were pleased with the result.

The commission was supportive of the project and offered ideas for other funding sources. The church is awaiting final specs from Crawford & Stearns in order to go to bid soon. The gentlemen were advised that they would first need an application submitted with the specific changes that the church proposes to do for approval and best to do this before it goes to bid.

CLG Grant Opportunity: The commission spoke of submitting a grant proposal for designation of the Ledyard Canal. It was noted that any grant request would need to be approved by the Board of Trustees before submittal. Pam and Nikki both have knowledge on the matter and will discuss together to get the process started for further discussion at the next HPC meeting (March 11th).

Preservation Conference: This year’s Conference will be held in Syracuse on March 26-28, 2020 and would be relevant information for this commission compared to sessions offered at the County’s Planning Symposium. Most members agreed and wish to attend. Approval will be requested from the Board of Trustees to cover registration fees.

Adjournment: At 8:15 pm, a motion was made by Craig Polhamus, seconded by Elizabeth Russell, to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Karen Shepardson