

Monthly meeting of the Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee was called to order at 7:15 p.m. on November 7, 2016, at the Municipal Building, 106 Route 94. The following members were present: Martin Miller, Dave Harvey, Wick Mott, Christine Beegle, Barbara Green, Lori Nienstedt, Theo Padovano, Karin White and Cynthia Montes; Steve Lance, liaison, was present.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited; Sunshine Statement was read; October 3 minutes were approved.

Social media: Lori reported the following: 843 followers on Facebook; 28,000 hits re Donald Trump when it was posted that he had made an appearance in Hope in a prior year. Thank you notes have been sent to individuals who have made recent donations.

Budget was discussed re year-end expenditures; approval given for vouchers submitted for event expenses.

Upcoming events: Application has been submitted to participate at Jingle on Main.

Ongoing Business discussed:

Pedestal for John I. Blair cornerstone; Branigan shelving unit; conservation of *Blairstown Press* newspapers; fireproof safe restoration; display locations for walking tour brochures; whether 175th banners should be re-hung after Christmas decorations taken down (on Main Street).

New Business: Possibility of new (redesigned) banners for 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30. Next meeting: December 5, 7 p.m.

Barbara Green, Secretary