

**MINUTES**  
 Allentown Historic Preservation Commission  
 Regular Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/94032045445>.  
 The meeting ID is: 940 3204 5445.  
 Dial in by phone at 1-646-558-8656.  
 March 19, 2026

**CALL TO ORDER 7:05pm**

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**

In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act," Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, Section 5, adequate notice has been given of this meeting by posting a Notice in a public place, on the Borough's website Allentownboronj.com, the Borough's Meta (Facebook) page, the Borough's X (Twitter) account and by transmitting a Notice to two newspapers, "THE TIMES" and "THE ASBURY PARK PRESS" as required by law.

**ROLL CALL**

	Present	Absent	Absence Excused
Cheryl Willois	X		
Brian Mojta	X		
Cindy Malsbury	X		
David Bamford	X		
Enzo Nini			X
Frank Cincotta			X
Nancy Tindall			X
Wil Borkowski	X		
Vince Tavernite		X	
Bob Mayer	Z		
Angela Gurrera	Z		
Mayor Fritts	X		

X= in person, Z= via Zoom

**ALSO ATTENDING**

- None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- February 12, 2026, motion: David, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cheryl. Motion carries. Cindy & Bob abstain.

## **APPLICATIONS**

- None

## **MINOR APPLICATIONS**

- None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- HPC participation 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. Reviewed list of 10 suggestions. (Suggestions attached at the end of the minutes) 1. Ask about joining May 2<sup>nd</sup> trivia event as co-sponsor (Brian to reach out). HPC will put together a team, Mayor Fritts will coordinate. 2. Fun Facts: Brian will submit to Laurie for inclusion. HPC members submit ideas to Brian. 3. See #2. 4. Table this idea but refer to [https://www.allentownvinj.org/uploads/2/8/7/9/28796345/allentown\\_borough\\_historic\\_architecture\\_walking\\_tour\\_rough\\_draft.pdf](https://www.allentownvinj.org/uploads/2/8/7/9/28796345/allentown_borough_historic_architecture_walking_tour_rough_draft.pdf) as an example 5. HPC will join with the metal detector event, more info tbd by Mayor Fritts. 6. Mayor Fritts to follow-up. 7. Pass on this idea 8. Rebrand Lions club parade to incorporate 250<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Fritts to reach out. Can we make a float for the parade? HPC will explore a sub-committee. 9. Table idea. Incorporate as a meeting topic in future HPC meetings. 10. Table
- New idea: scavenger hunt (Bob & David will ID the items to find and set up a sub-committee) Aim for Fall festival with a booth.
- New idea: link spring stroll to 250<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Fritts will talk to Jack West (ABCA) about alcohol vendor and to allow adding (rebranding) 250<sup>th</sup> to event.
- "Signage for Businesses" Liaison Mayor Fritts update. Was presented to Council, expect to be passed in the next meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- None

## **PARKS AND OPEN SPACE UPDATE**

- Keith Clayton presented a NJ Bluebird trail initiative.

## **MAYOR'S UPDATE**

- Sensi Park should be reopened tomorrow. Farmers Park to stay closed a little longer.
- Expect bond ordinance discussed at next meetings regarding Stein property.
- Continue working on truck bans
- Oasis property will be preserved
- Crosswalk beacons to be done in spring

**ADJOURN:** 8:30 pm

## **ATTACHMENT**

### **Suggestion for HPC's Participation in the "250 Celebration**

1. History Trivia Night - Either in a library meeting or in the town newsletter create a quiz on Allentown History
2. Fun Facts - include in the town news letter fun facts about Allentown History
3. Allentown Tales - ask people who have interesting stories about Allentown history to share
4. Create a walking tour of Allentown's historic buildings
5. Medal detector search - look for artifacts from the Revolutionary War period on the Stein property
6. Have T Shirts made up with a "250" logo. The county has a logo and we may alter it to have the HPC log be a part of it
7. A Colonial costume contest during Spring stroll
8. Have a "250" parade
9. Historic signs/markers around town for the 250th.
10. A photo display of the oldest homes in Allentown to be exhibited in the library or the Borough Hall