

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
RED BANK HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
June 18, 2025

The Red Bank Historic Preservation Commission held a meeting on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at 7:00 PM, in the municipal building, first floor, 90 Monmouth Street, Red Bank, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. A roll call showed that Louis Almerini, Liam Collins, Karen Schmelzkopf, Bethsy Varela, and Anthony Setaro attended. Shawna Ebanks, Board Secretary, was also present.

The Open Public Meeting Statement Act was read. Adequate notice was posted in the newspaper, the Borough Clerk's office, the Borough website, outside the Red Bank Council Chambers, and on the front door of Borough Hall.

Regular Meeting Minutes: May 21, 2025

Motion: Approved as presented
Moved by: Karen Schmelzkopf
Seconded by: Anthony Setaro
Ayes: Louis Almerini, Liam Collins, Karen Schmelzkopf, and Anthony Setaro
Nays: None
Abstained: Bethsy Valera

Minor Works Committee

The Committee met to discuss an application for 36 Broad Street. The application was for repainting the existing facade. The Committee found no issues with the exterior improvements, and the application was approved.

RiverCenter Liaison

There was no report.

Historic Sites Committee

The Committee met with Steven to discuss the first draft of the design guidelines, which included the history and the basic outline of architectural styles. He will be working with the Committee to reduce the size of the history section. The next step would be to work on the alteration sections. Shawna will organize a meeting with RiverCenter to review the design guidelines, ensuring they work for the commercial district and are not restrictive for property owners. The Board Attorney will also be at the meeting to discuss the legal aspects of the guidelines.

Library Presentation

Marjorie Cavalier and Bethsy Valera will work on the presentation at the library. The presentation date is scheduled for November 13, 2025.

2025 Historic Preservation Conference

Anthony Setaro presented a talk at the conference on creating AI historical figures. He also mentioned that there is a list of grants to help property owners make improvements to their properties. He will reach out to the organizers about getting a list of the grant sources.

Anthony Setaro seconded Karen Schmelzkopf 's motion to approve the application as presented. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully,
Shawna Ebanks
Historic Preservation Commission Secretary