

EAST COVENTRY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2014

Attendance: Gail Brown (Chairperson), Scott Fitzgerald (Vice Chairperson), Penny Morton (Secretary), Ann Keen (Member), Larry Tietjen (Planning Commission Liaison/Member). Absent: Rosemarie Miller (Member).

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by G. Brown, Chairperson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments: Mariea Geho in attendance.

Minutes: A motion to accept the meeting minutes of Wednesday, January 8, 2014 was made by S. Fitzgerald and was seconded by A. Keen. Approved 5-0-0. Note: the Commission did not meet in February, 2014 due to inclement weather.

Old Business

1. Fricks Locks kiosk script: the final version was distributed to members as approved by K. Marshall.
2. The Fricks Locks storage shed and pavilion acquisition went before the Board of Supervisors at the Monday, March 11, 2014 Township Supervisors Meeting. The Historical Commission had chosen an Eagle Structures shed before but also obtained an estimate from Old Hickory Structures which is at a higher cost of \$1595.00. Therefore the Supervisors didn't make a decision but gave it back to the Historical Commission for a new decision. S. Fitzgerald made a motion to recommend the Old Hickory Structures selection to the Board of Supervisors which was seconded by L. Tietjen. Approved 5-0-0. The Board of Supervisors is not sure about building the pavilion but suggested the Boy Scouts build it. Also, we need to meet with Ray Kolb, Public Works, to determine the placement of the shed.
3. Response to K. Marshall for Rob Lukens, Chester County Historical Society, and President: East Coventry Township's Historical Commission was established April 4, 1994 by Ordinance #79.
4. East Coventry Township's National Register and Eligible Properties list was printed by G. Brown to be given to B. Rodgers, Township Manager, to identify Class I structures in the township.

New Business

1. The Historical Commission 2014 Annual Report was completed by G. Brown and given to B. Rodgers as approved by the Historical Commission. L. Tietjen made a motion to ratify the report and was seconded by S. Fitzgerald. Approved 5-0-0.
2. Discussed the January 28, 2014 Fricks Locks Stakeholders Meeting attended by G. Brown and P. Morton. D. Melia, Exelon, will coordinate a Village cleanup day. Chester County is still pursuing

easements for the Schuylkill Valley Trail. Town Tours and Village Walks on July 17, 2014 was discussed. Tour dates for the 2014 season were given. The next Stakeholders Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Township Building.

3. Parking for the July 17, 2014 Town Tour/Village Walk was discussed. B. Rodgers and the township police will handle the arrangements.
4. G. Brown wrote an article for the Town Tours and Village Walks brochure which she read to the Commission.
5. The Historical Commission article for the spring 2014 East Coventry Township Newsletter was written and read by G. Brown.
6. The updated Historical Commission Members Directory was reviewed.
7. The Chester County Historic Preservation Network 2014 Spring Workshop will be attended by G. Brown and P. Morton at the Chester County Historical Society in West Chester on Saturday, March 15, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Planning Commission Liaison Report

L. Tietjen, Planning Commission Liaison, gave a report on the Fairway Farm Development Project which will be on the Planning Commission agenda this month. The preliminary plan from David Eckhart was reviewed. It is unknown if a Cultural Resource Notice was submitted to PHMC. The Impact Analysis for Fairway Farms was circulated. S. Fitzgerald made a motion which was seconded by L. Tietjen to authorize G. Brown and L. Tietjen to further review the Impact Analysis and CRN process and submit comments to the Planning Commission. Approved 5-0-0.

Committee Reports

1. Oral History Committee: No one was present but P. Snyder still wants to be on this committee.
2. Archives Committee: A. Keen reports that records are still being entered onto the computer.
3. Volunteer Tour Guide Committee:
 - K. Marshall will be setting an appointment for the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions special tour in July.
 - G. Brown and M. Geho, representing Fricks Locks Village Tours, attended the February 20, 2014 Tri-County Mixer event at Exelon as invited by D. Melia, Exelon.
 - The Schuylkill River Sojourners requested a Historical Commission representative to do a luncheon presentation on Fricks Locks Village on Tuesday June 6, 2014 in Historic Morlatton Village.

Other Business

1. Chester County Antique Show is on April 4, 2014 at the Phelps School in Malvern, Pa.
2. Chester County Historical Society is doing a historic clothing display on Saturday, April 12, 2014.
3. The Pennsylvania "At Risk" list has been published.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. was made by S. Fitzgerald and was seconded by A. Keen.
Approved 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Penny Morton, Secretary