

EAST COVENTRY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 09, 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 7:00 p.m. by G. Brown, Chairperson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments: Mariea Geho and James Hacker in attendance.

Minutes: A motion was made by S. Fitzgerald to accept the meeting minutes of Wednesday, March 12, 2014 as amended and was seconded by A. Keen. Approved 5-0-0.

New Business

1. Historical Review of Fairway Farms Subdivision: Mr. Kryder, Project Manager of Bursich Associates, was present for discussion and provided a packet including pictures of the subdivision. Variance issues with the tenant property were discussed. G. Brown made a motion that we have reviewed the Cultural Resource Notice and found it to be in order with the exception of the Certified Mail Receipt, the Historical Commission concurs with the recommendations of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission letter dated March 26, 2014, the Historical Commission concurs with ARRO letter dated March 12, 2014 – SALDO Item # 18 and the buffering appears to be adequate. We request L. Tietjen evaluate the buffering at the site should the Planning Commission perform a walk of the property. Further, the Historical Commission requests to remain in the review cycle of Fairway Farms. The motion was seconded by L. Tietjen. Approved 5-0-0. The Historical Commission will submit a letter to B. Rodgers, Township Manager, for the Planning Commission's SALDO review.
2. Report on March 18, 2014 Fricks Locks Stakeholders Meeting given by G. Brown. M. Geho also attended
 - Exelon plans a large clean-up of the village in mid-April.
 - Exelon rejected the proposed "Diggers" TV program activities in the village.
 - Exelon will look into another National Geographic program called "Towjacked."
 - Fricks Locks Interpretive Signage: East Coventry Historical Commission continues to work with Chester County on sign development.
 - The Demonstration Hiking Trail and Trailhead amenities were discussed.
 - Village Tours Update: G. Brown met with B. Rodgers on Wednesday, April 9, 2014 in Fricks Locks Village to determine storage shed placement. Pavilion plans are still under

discussion. Our shed selection was approved. We may need a grant for village benches or have Boy Scouts build them.

- Next Stakeholders meeting: Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at East Coventry Township Building.

Old Business

1. National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum 2014 Tour is scheduled for July 17, 2014 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. A planning meeting was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the Schuylkill River Heritage Center in Phoenixville, Pa. led by Karen Marshall and attended by G. Brown and P. Morton. Tour itinerary and plans for Fricks Locks Village Tour logistics were discussed.
2. Fricks Locks Tour Guide Committee is meeting in the Township building on Friday, April 11, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.
3. Historical content for the new Township Website: S. Fitzgerald is looking into it. G. Brown reviewed what other townships are doing.
4. Town Tours and Village Walks: Copies of the summer 2014 brochure were circulated.
5. CCHPN Spring Workshop at the Chester County Historical Society was held on Saturday, March 15, 2014 with a main topic of "Working Effectively with Your Municipality." G. Brown and P. Morton attended. A workshop information packet was provided to each commission member.

Planning Commission Report

L. Tietjen previously discussed the Fairways Farms Subdivision Project.

Committees

1. **Oral History Committee:** G. Brown will provide S. Fitzgerald with pertinent information so he can get started.
2. **Archives Committee:** A. Keen and M. Geho are still working on files and making sure everything is in order. M. Geho reports that the Northern Federation is seeking certain pictures of labeled historic township buildings for their Website which will also include Fricks Locks tour schedule.
3. **Volunteer Tour Guide Committee:** Meeting on Friday, April 11, 2014 to get information out to the tour guides.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:50 p.m. by P. Morton and was seconded by S. Fitzgerald. Approved 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Penny Morton, Secretary

