

EAST COVENTRY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2018

Attendance: Gail Brown (Chairperson), Scott Fitzgerald (Vice Chairperson), Penny Morton (Secretary), Kathleen McDermott (Member). Absent: Larry Tietjen (Planning Commission Liaison/Member).

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by G. Brown, Chairperson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: A motion was made by K. McDermott to accept the meeting minutes of Wednesday, October 10, 2018 and was seconded by S. Fitzgerald. Approved 4-0-0

Public Comments: None

New Business

1. Schuylkill River Trail Phase II project public meeting, October 17, 2018: G. Brown, L. Tietjen and K. McDermott attended the meet and greet. The purpose of the meeting was to inform residents of what is coming, a requirement of the DCNR grant.
2. Public inquiries related to Fricks Locks Village:
 - A request was received on the Fricks Locks Village web page from Terror Labs, Coventry Mall, who wanted to hand out flyers at our final Fricks Locks tour. Gail checked with the township which declined the request.
 - 10/29/18: S. Kutsch, twp. Administrative Assistant, received a request from "Jeremy" for his photography club to take pictures in Fricks Locks Village. We have no access to the village this time of year except by special permission. No further response from Jeremy.
3. Proposal, Parkerford Trailhead/Riverside Park Conceptual Development: Ray Ott & Associates has submitted to Elaine Paul Schaefer, Executive Director, Schuylkill River Greenways, a proposal for a conceptual development plan listing the scope of services and fees for developing properties in E. Coventry and E. Vincent as a river-side park and major trail head/stop along the Schuylkill River Trail. East Coventry Township has been asked to contribute \$3,000 for further study of Riverside Park and a boat dock.
4. Historical Commission/Fricks Locks Volunteers drive: K. McDermott volunteered to look into post card production which could be sent to area residents and businesses in an effort to find new volunteers.

Old Business

1. Fricks Locks Stakeholders meeting of November 7, 2018 was canceled. No specific date set for December, 2018. Karen Marshall got a group together to assess the security needs of the village.
2. Status of Fricks Locks Trailhead Project: The Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting November 12, 2018 approved Amendment No. 1 to the Frens and Frens, LLC Professional Service Agreement.

Planning Commission Liaison Report – L. Tietjen (Not present)

Committees

1. Archives Committee: G. Brown, K. McDermott (Interim Chairpersons). Will meet after the start of the new year,
2. Oral History Committee: K. McDermott (Chairperson). Names of potential interviewees have been researched to determine which ones are still viable.
3. Fricks Locks Volunteer Committee: G. Brown, P. Morton, S. Fitzgerald (Co-Chairpersons). The tour season ended early due to inclement weather. The end of season Fricks Locks volunteer tour guide appreciation luncheon will be held Saturday, November 17, 2018 at G. Brown's home 11:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Other Business

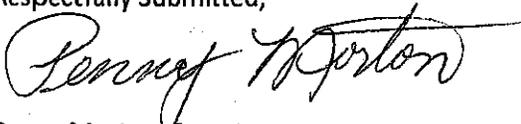
1. Karen Nocella, Twp. Supervisor, has been in contact with a group who secures grant money which was presented to the Board of Supervisors.
2. Deborah Elliott, Asheville, N.C., (P. Morton's sister) shared pictures with G. Brown and P. Morton she took years ago in Fricks Locks Village before vandalism and nature destroyed much of it. She also shared newspaper clippings of village natives and short stories some of them wrote. Her pictures included many out buildings which no longer stand and building interiors. The sisters also met with a preservationist at the Asheville, N.C. Historical Society on November 1, 2018 to get insights and direction on the possibility of publishing the information.

Adjournment

A motion was made by S. Fitzgerald to adjourn at 8:29 pm and was seconded by K. McDermott.

Approved 4-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,



Penny Morton, Secretary