

EAST COVENTRY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2017

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by G. Brown (Chairperson).

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: A motion was made by S. Fitzgerald to accept the meeting minutes of Wednesday, June 14, 2017 and was seconded by A. Keen. Note: no meeting held on Wednesday, July 12, 2017. Approved 6-0-0

Public Comments: None

Old Business

1. Proposed Cell Tower, 92 Baptist Church Rd., status: a Conditional Use Hearing was completed and will now go to the township Board of Supervisors.
2. Update-Latshaw's Mill Bridge #265: Karen Marshall, Ray Kolb, Sandra Martin, Gail Brown and Bernie Rodgers met in the township building to review the rehabilitation project on this county bridge built in 1914. Several sets of pictures were distributed and discussed. The Historical Commission recommends rehabilitation of the support structure with a new deck. The mortar, cap stones, walls, etc. should remain historically esthetic. L. Tietjen will call Ms. Martin and B. Rodgers with further clarification of our concerns before the next Board of Supervisors meeting.
3. Update on citizens' inquiries:
 - Amanda-requested a special tour of Fricks Locks Village. G. Brown tried to contact her with no response.
 - Bryan Stauffer-no further contact.
 - Brownback Young at Heart group-no response after several contacts.
 - Meredith Jacks-Broker for Styer Real Estate, obtained pictures from the township for display in her Real Estate office.
4. Letter/reply of support for DCNR grant for Fricks Locks Village Trailhead was received from John Rafferty Jr. and Tim Hennesy and Ryan Costello, State Representatives.
5. Iron and Steel Heritage Partnership, 2017 Annual Meeting: a handout with member observations was distributed.
6. Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner at Historic Yellow Springs was attended by G. Brown on Wednesday, June 28, 2017. Mariea Geho was remembered for her contributions to Fricks Locks Village.

Planning Commission Liaison Report – L. Tietjen

1. Whispering Woods Townhouse Subdivision has been recommended for final approval by the township Board of Supervisors.
2. Preliminary Plan/Final Plan for Fricks Locks Village Minor Subdivision: the township's portion will be divided out as a lot line adjustment for township ownership then go to Land Development for infrastructure. We need a copy of the Preliminary Plan.

Committee

1. **Archives Committee:** A. Keen (Chairperson). All filing is caught up.
2. **Oral History Committee:** S. Fitzgerald (Chairperson). No activity.
3. **Frick Locks Volunteer Committee:** G. Brown, P. Morton, S. Fitzgerald Co-Chairpersons). Still need new volunteers. Discussed the possibilities to do character acting and period costuming in the future.

Other Business

1. The next Stakeholders meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at the township building.
2. Landscapes III Survey was completed online by several Historical Commission members.
3. "Historical Insights" by Gene Pisasale found online regarding Fricks Locks history. He has offered to do a special program on his book.
4. A new Administrative Assistant, Mary Goheen, starts employment with the township on August 10, 2017.
5. A revised Historical Commission members' contact list was distributed.

Adjournment

A motion was made by S. Fitzgerald at 8:33 p.m. to adjourn and was seconded by L. Tietjen. Approved 6-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,



Penny Morton, Secretary