

**MINUTES FOR THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MEETING HELD ON APRIL 11, 2023**

The Historical Commission held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. Present for the meeting were Catherine Subick, Chair and Peter Price, Vice Chair. Larry Tietjen, Secretary and Jeffery Stevenson were not in attendance.

1. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Subick called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM and the pledge was recited.

2. Minutes.

A. Consideration of Approval of the March 14, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.

No vote was taken on meeting minutes from March 14, 2023 regular meeting as corrections are required.

3. Public Comment.

No comments were made.

4. New Business.

A. Receive Report on the Chester County Historic Preservation Network Luncheon.

Mrs. Subick reported on the following:

- Chester County is preparing a Heritage Tourism Plan focused on six main themes:
 - Natural Landscape (hiking trails, nature preserves, etc)
 - Cultural Landscape (various historical sites)
 - Evolving Values (addressing underserved populations including Black history, etc.)
 - The Philadelphia Campaign (mostly focused on Brandywine Battlefield vicinity)
 - Iron and Steel Heritage
 - Creative Expression (various artists including the Wyeths and art museums)
- Requested that the various townships come up with a list of publicly accessible attractions and/or businesses that could benefit from heritage tourism.
- Part of the tourism plan is to assemble sites with a common theme into self-guided “trails.”

B. Discuss Possible Grant Opportunities for Fricks Lock.

Mrs. Subick identified several sources of potential grant funds including the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) and Pottstown Area Regional Recreation Committee (PARRC). She will continue to research additional sources for potential funding.

5. Old Business.

None Brought Before the Historical Commission.

6. Liaison Reports.

A. Board of Supervisors.

No report was given.

B. Planning Commission.

No report was given.

7. Committees.

A. Fricks Lock Subcommittee.

Mrs. Subick mentioned that the next meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2023.

B. Fricks Lock Volunteer Committee.

No update was given.

C. Archives Committee.

No update was given.

D. Oral History Committee.

No update was given.

8. Other Business.

Mrs. Subick mentioned the Township Manager has requested a determination as to whether the village should be referred to as Fricks Lock or Fricks Locks. The Commission considered the following:

- Historic maps show the village as Fricks Locks
- The access road and sign refer to the village as Fricks Lock
- The agreement with Peco / Constellation refers to the site as Fricks Lock.

Mrs. Subick motioned that the correct spelling is Fricks Lock. Mr. Price seconded the motion. Mrs. Subick called for a vote and the motion passed 2-0-0.

9. Adjournment.

Mrs. Subick motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Mr. Price seconded the motion. Mrs. Subick called for a vote and the motion passed 2-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Catherine Subick
Acting Secretary