

**MINUTES FOR THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 08, 2023**

The Historical Commission held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 08, 2023. Present for the meeting were Catherine Subick, Chair; Peter Price, Vice Chair; and Larry Tietjen, Secretary.

1. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Subick called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and the pledge was recited.

2. Minutes.

A. Consideration of Approval of the July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Price made a motion to approve the July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes and Mrs. Subick seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-0

3. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

4. New Business

A. Review the Township Code's Historic Resource Map/Inventory Reference.

The current Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) was reviewed and discussed. Current SALDO definition does not reference a Resource Map as a source of identifying Historic resources in the Township. The current SALDO includes the following definition:

HISTORIC RESOURCE

A building, site, structure, object, or district, aged 50 years or more, which meets one or more of the following criteria:

A. Identified in the Historic Sites Survey of historic structures in the Township, conducted in 1981, as described in the Comprehensive Plan and as shown on Figure 3.10: Community Facilities Inventory Map, dated February 2003 in the Comprehensive Plan.

It was agreed that the map was to be used for information only and as a way to determine the location of a resource but not define if a property is to be considered historic.

B. Discuss the Possibility of ABC News doing a Segment on Fricks Lock. (Added at the Meeting.)

Mrs. Subick reported during July 2023 HC meeting that the township has been contacted by ABC News who may have some interest in doing a story on Fricks Lock. Ms. Subick followed up with ABC and reported that there is a potential for Fricks Lock to be featured during one of the One Tank Trip segments the station produces.

5. Old Business.

A. Receive an Update on Transportation Alternatives Set-aside Grant Application for the Ellis Hoffman Brick House at Fricks Lock.

Ms. Subick reported that the draft copy will be reviewed with PennDOT in August and then finalized for a September submission.

B. Receive an Update on the Fricks Lock Tours.

Ms. Subick reported that there was a good turnout last week for the scheduled tours but did not hear back on tours for Chester County Days. October 07 will include a tour for Berks County Hiking Club.

6. Liaison Reports.

A. Board of Supervisors.

The has not been a Board of Supervisor meeting since the July meeting.

B. Planning Commission.

The July PC meeting was cancelled.

7. Committees.

A. Fricks Lock Subcommittee.

Next meeting will be scheduled for the end of August.

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.

None brought before the Commission.

9. Adjournment.

Mr. Tietjen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Mr. Subick seconded the motion. Mrs. Subick called for a vote and the motion passed 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Larry Tietjen
Secretary