

**EAST COVENTRY HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 11, 2022**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:07 P.M. BY L. TIETJEN, CHAIRMAN**

**ATTENDANCE:**

L. Tietjen (Chairman), C. Subick, P. Price

Public Attendees: None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MINUTES:**

Review of the minutes from the September 13, 2022 regular Historical Commission meeting. No corrections or additions noted. LT made a motion to approve, PP seconded. Approved 3-0-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

LT reported on relevant discussions at the October 10, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting.

- The only item relevant to the Historical Commission is the potential installation of a waste pit at 851 Bethel Church Rd. Multiple structures have been demolished already without Historical Commission review. None of the demolished structures are considered historic but the Commission should have been notified. A special Board of Supervisors meeting regarding this project will be held at the Ridge Fire House on October 24 with representatives from the property owner (Nolt Trucking) and their consultants.

CS gave a report of the meeting of the Iron and Steel Heritage group held on September 15, 2022 with representatives of historic sites and non-profits from Chester, Montgomery and Berks counties. The group is assembling a directory of area historic sites. CS to provide information regarding Fricks Locks. They are also beginning a task force for promotion of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Declaration of Independence in 2026.

CS gave a report of the most recent meeting of the Fricks Locks stakeholders held on September 20, 2022

- All windows damaged by vandals have been repaired. Carpentry work is complete; masonry about 50% complete. Painting and roof work coming up.

- Constellation is negotiating with Stanley Security again regarding security cameras for Fricks Locks; hoping to install by end of year.
- CS requested that Constellation schedule mowing inside their portion of the village prior to tour dates. Inside of the locktender's house has been cleaned out.
- Fricks Locks will be part of Chester County days tour schedule for 2023.
- Dave Stauffer indicated that the county is still closing out the trailhead project; still waiting on mile markers and minor grading to be completed.
- Constellation has purchased a sign for display of information re the trailhead and Fricks Lock Village. CS and Ray Kolb to identify preferred location for installation.

There was no discussion of the Township Engineer's Report this month as there are no current items pertinent to the Commission.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Preparations are underway for fall festival to be held at Fricks Locks on Last tour date (10/22/22). Parks and Rec to provide 10-12 volunteers. Historical Commission will need additional volunteers due to larger tour groups expected. There is no rain date for this event.

### **INQUIRIES**

Information has been requested for 1234 Old Schuylkill Rd.LT and PP reviewed info in archives. There appears to be nothing pertinent to the property.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

- No update

### **COMMITTEES**

Fricks Locks Subcommittee No update

Fricks Locks Volunteer Committee CS, PP and some of the other volunteers interested in overhauling the script over the winter

Archives Committee PP and LT did a quick review of the contents of the archive cabinets

Oral History Committee CS to pass PP contact info for tour guest who used to live in the village

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made to adjourn at 8:20 PM by PP, seconded by LT. Motion approved 3-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Catherine Subick".

Catherine Subick  
Secretary

