

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
March 11, 2010

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at 7:00pm at the East Goshen Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Kathryn Yahraes, Co-Vice Chairmen Ben Rohrbeck and Ellen Carmody, and members Sue Ciorletti, Chris Reardon, Jason Young and Joe Zug. Also in attendance were: Gary Althouse (Township Building Inspector), Senya Isayeff (BOS) and Ruth Scadding-Parks and Recreation).

1 & 2. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:15pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of silence for our troops overseas.

Kathryn asked if anyone other than the recording secretary was recording the meeting. Kathryn also

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Sue made a motion and Chris seconded it to approve the minutes of February 24, 2010 as written. No further discussion or comments were made. The vote was unanimous to accept the minutes as corrected. Joe and Jason abstained since they were not at the meeting.

4. ACTIVITY CALENDAR and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Corrections and additions to the calendar were made.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A potential new volunteer, Pete Adams, was referred to the HC by Senya. Pete is the Vice President of 1st National Bank, is a descendent of John Adams and is interested in the Battle of the Clouds.

6. SUBDIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT

Nothing new was mentioned.

7. OLD BUSINESS

Ex-Officio Members- the plans are to invite Monica Close, Judy Schafer, and either Jim or Maureen Falcone to attend the next meeting.

Goals and Objectives- Division of Labor and Organization was discussed. The Commission will have the assistance of the new ex-officio members to help out and the plan is to discuss further during the next HC meeting.

Major Activities- Plans for the EGT Town Tour and Village Walk on July 22 were discussed. Chester County Preservation network will facilitate reservations. The kick off is planned for the second Thursday of June. Any changes in the scripts will be held off until the April meeting. Kathryn and Ellen have been in contact with a number of people who plan to participate including Dolores Higgins, Bob Klinger, and Rich Paul. Others would also participate. Kathryn asked if Senya would be able to assist her with the welcome before the event was to start. He said "yes".

Other Projects and Tasks- Ben discussed handout ideas for the Plank House and Blacksmith Shop including a "paper" scavenger hunt for the older children. Ben added that he is looking for black and

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white illustrations for the younger children. These items will be used weekend as well as on Living History Day.

Family Research- Ed Lendrat was not present for the meeting, but had previously compiled a packet of research findings. Kathryn distributed the research handouts. Addresses included 1213 and 1220 Youngs Lane, 1331 Greenhill Road, 916 and 1152 North Chester Road and 1468 and 1476 Morstein Road.

8. NEW BUSINESS

The expenses were reviewed. There were not new expenses.

The Philadelphia Campaign Commemoration, which will take place at Brandywine Creek State Park, was discussed. The event will be held on September 25th and 26th. Chris reported that he has spoken to Todd Post, Mike Grenier, and Lee Jennings of the Delaware State Parks. 18th Century dress will be worn and there will be an opportunity to have a presence at the event. Chris Reardon will have another update in April.

The “Someday List” of ideas was brought up. It will be referred to in preparation of the 2011 budget request and also for grants and sponsorships. Kathryn added that the HC would use the list to plan future events.

Keep East Goshen Beautiful Day will be held on Saturday, April 17. Volunteers are still needed. Plank House Volunteers will also be contacted.

Kathryn plans to meet with Senya to discuss and come up with ideas and ways the Historical Commission can help make East Goshen Township a premier place to work, live, and play. Kathryn will get HC member input as well. Senya added that we are all in this together and that ABC members are the only people who can start the process and market it.

9-LIAISON REPORTS

Parks and Recreation- Ben reported that all programs are going well. All field permitting is completed. It was noted that discussions are ongoing with the Y regarding cooperative activities. Police have ticketed some dog owners for not having their pets on leashes. A resident requested improved safety at the cross walks on Paoli Pike. She has been in contact with PaDot about cars not slowing down at the flashing yellow lights. The P& R members said PaDot has told them that the crossing doesn't qualify for a traffic signal but “stop for pedestrians in crosswalk” signs could be installed. Discussion then moved to planting shrubs and/or flowers trees to improve the parks landscape.

Conservancy Board- Discussion included the invitation to Goose Creek walk in April. The bridge by the Spring House in the north end of Applebrook Park has been approved and will be financed by Pulte. The budget was also discussed along with programs and grants to support the budget. The Planning Commission Tree Ordinance was also discussed and edits were recommended.

Municipal Authority- Brickhouse Environmental reported on the Project Management tasks that have been done for the RCSP construction. Evan Andrews, the Authority's Engineer, reported that Worth and Company submitted a letter to the Township requesting a three-month extension for completion of the plant. Worth and Company would like the Authority to approve a three-month extension moving the completion date to September 30, 2010. The Municipal Authority was not happy with this proposal for various reasons. I/I Metering Project continues with temporary meters installed at several locations in the township. Review of data collected so far indicates that the meters are working properly.

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Mark Miller reported that Pipe Data View was utilized to clean and televise the sewer lines in the Marydell and Pin Oaks subdivisions. They found significant leakage at the manholes, as well as fractured lines and broken laterals. Mark plans to start repairing the broken laterals in the days to come.

10 PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

11. ADJOURNMENT – A motion made by Jason and seconded by Sue to adjourn at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Jones
Recording Secretary