

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- 3. MINUTES**
 - A. March 11, 2010
 - B. April 8, 2010
- 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - A. Activity Calendar – Additions and Changes
 - B. Any Other Matter
- 5. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**
- 6. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Organization of Sub-Committees
 - B. Major Activities – Update and Discussion
 - i. Living History Day – June 5
 - ii. Town Tours & Village Walk – July 22
 - C. Philadelphia Campaign – Commemoration Plans
 - D. Paoli Battlefield TT & VW – June 24 – Help needed
 - E. Other Project / Task Reports – Discussion as needed
 - F. Family Research for Historical Resources– Ed Lendrat
 - G. Other Old Business
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Review Expenses / Approve Invoices / Discuss Budget as Needed
 - B. ABCs Meeting – May 15
 - C. Liaison Agenda Packets
 - D. 501.c.3 – Select HC Representative
 - E. Images of America Sale at Fireworks – 6/26 (rain date 6/27)
 - F. Other New Business
- 8. LIAISON REPORTS**
 - A. Reports not yet emailed / updates on ABC Activities
 - B. Q & A
- 9. SUB-DIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT**
- 10. CORRESPONDENCE**
- 11. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 12. ADJOURNMENT**

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
March 11, 2010

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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

3. MINUTES

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

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

7 8 **8. NEW BUSINESS**

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10 The expenses were reviewed. There were not new expenses.

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

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

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

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

29 30 **9-LIAISON REPORTS**

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

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

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

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2 Mark Miller reported that Pipe Data View was utilized to clean and televise the sewer lines in the
3 Marydell and Pin Oaks subdivisions. They found significant leakage at the manholes, as well as fractured
4 lines and broken laterals. Mark plans to start repairing the broken laterals in the days to come.
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7 **10 PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.
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9 **11. ADJOURNMENT** – A motion made by Jason and seconded by Sue to adjourn at 8:45pm.
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12 Respectfully submitted,
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14 Linda Jones

15 Recording Secretary

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION 2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AS OF 5-5-2010

JANUARY 2010

9 (SAT) EGT Annual Planning Session 7:45 am
14 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

FEBRUARY 2010

10 (WED) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 4/1]
11 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
27 (SAT) Nat'l History Day – Judge's Orientation–9:30 am

MARCH 2010

6 (SAT) Nat'l History Day Competition Judging –
8:00 am – 2:00 pm -- Immaculata University
11 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
13 (SAT) CCHPN Conference 9:00 am– 2:00 pm
14 (SUN) Charter Day – any PHMC site – 12-4:00 pm – FREE
14 (SUN) Charter Day – Brandywine Battlefield –
12:30- 4:00 pm
15 (MON) Tour EGT RCSTP – 9:45 – 11:45 am
27 (SAT) Annual Egg Hunt 9:00 am– 12:00 noon
28 (SUN) Annual Egg Hunt 9:00 am – 12:00 noon (rain date)
28 (SUN) Plank House Vol Orientation/Meeting – 1:00 pm

APRIL 2010

8 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

17 (SAT) Keep EGT Beautiful Day 8:30 am – Noon
24 (SAT) Historic Sugartown Day – 10 am – 4 pm
TBA (SAT) CCHS Reception for NHD 10:00 am - CCHS

MAY 2010

1 (SAT) Plank House opens – Weekends 1– 4:00 pm
1 (SAT) EGT Yard Sale 9-1
2 (SUN) EGT Yard Sale (Rain Date – 9-1)
12 (WED) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 7/1]
13 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
15 (SAT) ABCs Meeting – 8:30-11 am
18 (TUES) Primary Election Day
TBA (SAT) Childrens' Day – Brandywine Battlefield
TBA MuSA # 9 – Program and Patriot's Path talk – 7-9 pm

JUNE 2010

5 (SAT) Living History Day - Plank House 11 a.m.- 4 :00 pm
10 (THURS) Kickoff for Village Walks and Town Tours
10 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
16 (WED) Fugett Awards Assembly 8th Grade – 8:30 am
19-20 (SAT/SUN) Monmouth Battlefield Commemoration
23 (WED) CCHPN Meeting and Volunteer Recognition 5:00: pm
(Welkinweir)
24 (THUR) TT & VW at Paoli Battlefield 5:30 PM
TBA Goshen Friends Camp at PH/BSS

JULY 2010

4 (SUN) Let Freedom Ring - Paoli Battlefield 1-2:30 pm

8 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
22 (THUR) EGT Town Tour & Village Walk -- 5:00 – 8:00 pm

AUGUST 2010

2-7 (MON-SAT) Goshen Fair – evening
11 (WED) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 10/1]
12 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

SEPTEMBER 2010

9 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
11-12 (SAT/SUN) Chadds Ford Days – 10 am to 5:00 pm
18 (SAT) Illumination at Paoli Battlefield – 8-10 pm
23 (THURS) Chester County Day Slide Presentation - 7:00 pm
25-26 – Philadelphia Campaign – Brandywine Creek State Park
Wilmington DE

OCTOBER 2010

2 (SAT) Chester County Day

14 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
16 (SAT) Pumpkin Festival – EGT Park 10:00 am –1:00 pm
(rain date SUN 11/17)
TBA Fall Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Day
TBA CCHPN Program -- 7:30 pm
TBA (Sat, Sun) "RedCoats are Coming" – Jerusalem
Mills Village, MD

NOVEMBER 2010

2 (TUES) Election Day
10 (WED) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 1/1]
11 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
20 (SAT) EGT Neighbor-To-Neighbor Day – 9:00 am to Noon

DECEMBER 2010

9 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
TBA EGT Holiday Party 5:30 – 8:30 pm

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April 9, 2010

RECEIVED
BY: _____
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Board of Supervisors
East Goshen Township
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester PA 19380

Dear Supervisors:

I wish to thank you for the recognition of my volunteer service to East Goshen Township.

I have lived in East Goshen for 46 years and with my late wife, Ada, raised five children here. I guess it has been my daughters-in-law and son-in-law that made me realize what a great place this is live! They are from all over (NJ, NC, SC, and Central PA) and they tell me how great it is to visit the East Goshen Park and the Blacksmith Shop / Plank House. My grandchildren loved the Tot Lot when younger and for the past three years my daughter's family travels from New Jersey to help with our Living History Days.

My involvement with the Goshen Friends School began when a number of their classes visited the Blacksmith Shop and Plank House. We now also host their Summer Campers.

Before we agreed to purchase our home in Vista Farms, I had a few questions regarding restrictions, I was given Supervisor Ira Hicks name and a telephone number by the salesperson. Several days later I called what I assumed to be the Municipal Building, and was surprised to be told "he's plowing a field and will return your call this evening". It wasn't until after we moved in that I realized East Goshen didn't have a Municipal Building! From that first contact I have been very pleased with our local government.

At first, when asked "where are you from" I replied "West Chester" - now I proudly say "East Goshen Township". It takes longer saying this, as even with many Chester County residents you have to explain where EGT is located.

As a volunteer at the Brandywine Battlefield Park, Colonial Pennsylvania Plantation, and Historic Sugartown I say I'm "on loan from the East Goshen Blacksmith Shop". As Senya said last evening we all have to promote EGT and I'll continue to do whatever I can.

Sincerely,



Benson W. Rohrbeck

THE EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU

TO THE

GROUNDBREAKING OF THE APPLEBROOK PARK BRIDGE

LOCATED IN APPLEBROOK PARK

GROUNDBREAKING WILL TAKE PLACE ADJACENT TO SPRING HOUSE AT THE EASTERN END OF PATH

FORMER SUPERVISOR JOE MCDONOUGH WILL BE RETURNING FOR THE CEREMONY

JOE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN OBTAINING FUNDING FOR THE BRIDGE FROM PULTE HOMES

THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2010

1:00 P.M.

(REGARDLESS OF WEATHER)

RSVP BY MAY 13, 2010 TO (610) 692-7171