

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE
3. MINUTES
September 8, 2011
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - A. Activity Calendar – Additions and Changes
5. TREASURER'S REPORT
6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
7. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Chester County Day
 - B. Plank House Garden
 - C. Atlas Project
 - D. Family Research for Historical Resources– Ed Lendrat
 - E. Other Old Business
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. New Brochures
 - B. Thank You/Recognition for M. Miller & his crew
 - C. Harvest Festival
 - D. Other New Business
9. SUB-DIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT
10. CORRESPONDENCE
11. PUBLIC COMMENT
12. ADJOURNMENT

Important Dates

October 5, 2011	Pension Committee	1:00 pm
	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
October 6, 2011	Farmer's Market	2-6 pm
	Park & Rec Board	7:00 pm
October 10, 2011	Municipal Authority	7:00 pm
October 11, 2011	Board of Supervisors - CU Hearing Acero	7:00 pm
October 12, 2011	Conservancy Board	7:00 pm
October 13, 2011	Farmer's Market	2-6 pm
	Historical Commission	7:00 pm
October 14, 2011	Fire Prevention Open House - Station 54	6:00 pm
October 22, 2011	EGT Harvest Festival (Rain date October 23)	10 – 4 pm
December 3, 2011	New York City Holiday Trip	

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION 2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AS OF 10-3-2011

JANUARY 2011

8 (Sat) EGT Annual Planning Session 7:45 am
13 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

FEBRUARY 2011

9 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 4/1]
10 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
26 (Sat) Nat'l History Day – Judge's Orientation–9:30 am

MARCH 2011

5 (Sat) Nat'l History Day Competition Judging –
8:00 am – 1:00 pm -- Immaculata University
10 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
12 (Sat) CCHPN Conference 9:00 am– 2:00 pm
13 (Sun) Charter Day – Brandywine Battlefield – 12-4pm
FREE
13 (Sun) Charter Day – any PHMC site – 12-4:00 pm – FREE
TBA (Sun) Plank House Vol Orientation/Meeting – 1:00 pm

APRIL 2011

9 (Sat) Keep EGT Beautiful Day 8:30 am – Noon
14 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
16 (Sat) Annual Egg Hunt 9:00 am– 12:00 noon (RAIN DATE 4/17)
16 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield Living History Day 10 am – 4 pm
30 (Sat) Historic Sugartown Day – 10 am – 4 pm
TBA (Sat) CCHS Reception for NHD 10:00 am - CCHS

MAY 2011

7 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale 9-1
8 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale (Rain Date – 9-1)
11 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 7/1]
12 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
14 (Sat) Craft Day – Brandywine Battlefield – 10am - 4 pm
17 (Tues) Primary Election Day
21 (Sat) Plank House opens for the season – Saturdays 10am–4pm
TBA (Sat) ABCs Meeting – 8:30-11 am

JUNE 2011

4 (Sat) Living History Day - Plank House 11 a.m.- 4 :00 pm
9 (Thurs) Kickoff for Village Walks and Town Tours
9 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
14 (Tues) Paoli Battlefield Campside Chat – 7-8 pm
15 (Wed) Fugett Awards Assembly 8th Grade – 8:30 am
22 (Wed) CCHPN Meeting and Volunteer Recognition 5:00: pm
25 (Sat) Community Day and Fireworks -- 4 to dark
(6/26 is Rain Date)

JULY 2011

1 (Fri) -- Goshen Friends Camp at PH/BSS – 1-3 pm
4 (Mon) Constitution Center July 4 Celebration
12 (Tues) Paoli Battlefield Campside Chat – 7pm CANCELLED
14 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
29 - 31 (Fri-Sun) -Civil War Penn State Great Valley Road Show

AUGUST 2011

1 (Mon) Civil War Road Show - Penn State Great Valley (last day)
1-6 (Mon-Sat) Goshen Fair – evening
10 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 10/1]
11 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

SEPTEMBER 2011

8 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
10-11 (Sat/Sun) Chadds Ford Days – 10 am to 5:00 pm
11 (Sun) Brandywine Battlefield Commemoration Ceremony 6pm
22 (Thurs) Chester County Day Slide Presentation - 7:00 pm
TBA Dedication & Tour EGT RCSTP

OCTOBER 2011

1 (Sat) Chester County Day
1 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale 9-1 CANCELLED
8 (Sat) CCHPN Program - Section 106, Continued 8 AM - 12
Noon at the Brandywine River Museum
8 (Sat) Illumination at Paoli Battlefield 7-9 pm
9 (Sun) Chili Cook-Off 12-3 pm in West Chester
11 (Tues) Lecture at the Gen. Warren Inn 7-8 pm (Sean Moir for
PBFF)
13 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
15 (Sat) Plank House closes for the season
22 (Sat) Harvest Festival – EGT Park 10:00 am –4:00 pm
(rain date Sun 10/23)
22 (Sat) Marshallton Day – Blacksmith Shop – 5-8pm
29 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield – Halloween Eve - 6-8pm
TBA Fall Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Day

NOVEMBER 2011

8 (Tues) Election Day
8 (Tues) Lecture at the Gen. Warren Inn 7-8 pm (Tom McGuire for
PBFF)
9 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 1/1]
10 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
19 (Sat) EGT Neighbor-To-Neighbor Day – 9:00 am to Noon
26 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield – Patriots Day – 10am – 4pm)

DECEMBER 2011

8 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
TBA EGT Volunteer TY & Holiday Party 5:30 – 8:30 pm

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
September 8, 2011**

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Ellen Carmody, Vice Chairman Ben Rohrbeck, Kathryn Yahraes, Sue Ciroletti, Judy Shafer and non-voting members, Monica Close and Ed Lendrat. Also in attendance was Erich Meyer, Park & Recreation Board and Mary Kilvin, Chairman of West Whiteland Township Historic Commission.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ellen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

Ellen led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and in a moment of silence for our troops.

3. MINUTES

A. Ben moved to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2011 meeting as corrected. Sue seconded the motion. The motion passed.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Ellen announced that Monica was approved by the Board of Supervisors as a full Historical Commission member to fill Joe Zug's position.

B. The Activity Calendar was reviewed. Kathryn pointed out that the Pumpkin Festival will be called the Harvest Festival and will be held on Oct. 22/raindate Oct. 23 from 10 am to 4 pm. There will still be fun events for the children and vendors from the farmers market and arts and crafts vendors will be there. The Brandywine Battlefield Halloween Eve event is October 29th. Marshallton Day is October 22 from 5-8 pm.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Monica reported that there was no activity for August. Monica changed the format of her report. There are still no donations shown on the Township report.

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

A. Ellen announced that a donation of a period outfit was received from Maryann Kaiser.

B. For the newsletter, Ben wrote an article about the War of 1812.

C. The 49th Regiment is coming from England and will be in Paoli.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Chester County Day, Sat. October 1, 2011 – There will be a guide in each room. Kathryn has the list of volunteers. Jack Yahraes is painting the meeting room in the Blacksmith Shop. Judy would like to have the weeds along the road cut down. Ben commented that the hydraulic jack can be removed. The Plank House needs to be cleaned. The electric meters and air conditioner need to be hidden. If anyone has an idea, sketch it and get it to Ellen.

B. Garden – The long beds will be for vegetables. Pathway construction was discussed. Chas did some research and used had tools to construct the forms and countersunk the screws and filled them with pegs. There is a good list of medicinal herbs. Judy would like to have a book with diagrams for people to look at. Ellen gave Kathryn and Judy a brochure on gardens

1 that she picked up in Hopewell. Judy has a list of some items that still need to be purchased for
2 this year.

3 C. Atlas Project – The Commission reviewed the map of Township Historic Resources and
4 classification of historic areas. There are 96 historic properties in East Goshen. Ben mentioned
5 that it was decided not to include items in the 1900's, not to include schools or the 13 water
6 powered grist mills that were in the township. The Fedor House is missing and Ed noticed that
7 several others are missing. Ellen will contact Karen Marshall and ask to have the title for the
8 Hershey's Mill Historic District moved down so the Fedor House can be shown.

9 B. Research – Ed distributed his latest research on 1601, 1603, 1605, 1607, 1629, and 1631
10 E Strasburg Road, 514 and 628 Beaumont Circle, and 636 Speakman Lane. Ed has started
11 research on the next 13 properties. Ed distributed flyers for the Chester County Historical
12 Society's Civil War Documentation Day, Thursday, September 22, 2011 from 1-8 pm at their
13 facility on N. High Street. Also, for a lecture on the War of 1812, Ed recommends Richard
14 Goosik, Asst. Principal at Conestoga and author who lives in East Goshen.

15 C. The mystery house has been identified by Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer. It is
16 111 N Chester Road, Historic Resource #63, Class II, Vernacular. He included an aerial
17 photograph of the property with an approximate location of where the photographer was standing
18 when the picture was taken. The property is owned by Jane Marks (Polito), daughter of the late
19 owner Mr. Polito.
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21 8. NEW BUSINESS

22 A. Battle of the Clouds – Sean Moir, a GIS consultant, spoke about the possibility of getting
23 a grant to fund research on the Battle of the Clouds. He has produced animated maps for several
24 other battles, which were funded by the American Battlefield Protection Program. The goal of
25 the ABPP is to protect battlefields of national importance and raise public awareness. Products
26 he has produced are:

27 1. Animated maps
28 2. Battle maps which zoom out to show all aspects of the battles. He distributed a
29 sample of a map for the Battle of the Clouds which covers Aston to Brandywine to Paoli. At this
30 point, East Goshen was the epicenter of the fight for freedom.

31 3. Military analysis maps
32 4. Archeological maps
33 5. Public presentations
34 6. Recommendations to the Federal agency

35 Sean spoke with someone in Washington who acknowledged the Battle of the Clouds as an
36 important battle but they don't know anything about it. Chester County is reluctant to ask for
37 another grant. He urged the Commission members to convince the County Commissioners that
38 this is important. Letters of support are very helpful. The application is not due until January
39 2012. Sean will provide a sample letter and he will prepare the application. Karen Marshall will
40 be involved in this process. Mary Kilvin believes she has proof that there was an encampment in
41 West Whiteland Park. Also, she is concerned because a sketch plan has been submitted to
42 develop a property where soldiers are buried. No real research has been done in West Whiteland.
43 Sean confirmed that West Whiteland would be included in this grant. Sean will do the
44 introductions for the Paoli Illumination on October 8 and he will give a presentation at the
45 General Warren Inn on October 11, 2011.

1 B. The Section 106 program on road transportation will be held on October 8, 2011.

2 Kathryn and Monica will attend.

3 C. The Friends of Martin have purchased the blacksmith shop in Marshallton. They asked
4 Ben to help set it up so it can be a part of Marshallton Day. Ben asked the Commission if he
5 could donate some horseshoes. The commission approved this.

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7 **9. SUBDIVISION/LAND DEVELOPMENT**

8 A. 41 Sherman Drive. Mark Galik, owner of this historic home, explained that their plan is
9 to expand the kitchen, which is a small, galley type kitchen, add windows to get more of the view,
10 and a deck that runs around the side of the house. He is requesting 15 feet of relief from the rear
11 yard setback. They back onto open space so this will not impact the neighbors and some
12 neighbors have provided letters of support. The core of the house is a log cabin. There have been
13 several additions made to it. Ed had the history of the owners and other interesting items in his
14 file for this property. Regarding the windows, Kathryn said there are companies who can assist
15 with converting the windows to keep the historic aspect but also make them energy efficient.
16 Regarding the decking, Mark isn't sure of what he will use because of maintenance concerns.
17 The current porch is mahogany. Kathryn asked if the Commission could take pictures of the
18 interior of the house. Mark said yes.

19 Kathryn moved that the Historical Commission recommend that the Board of Supervisors support
20 the Zoning Variance request for Mark and Alison Galik at 41 Sherman Dr. for 15 feet of relief
21 from the rear yard setback as depicted in the plans drawn by Chester Valley Engineers dated
22 8/23/2011 and the variance application dated 8/30/2011, with the condition outlined below. The
23 property has unique contours and elevations which create a hardship not created by the applicant
24 and the proposed modifications to the property will not create an adverse impact to the character
25 of the neighborhood. Condition of Approval:

26 1. The applicant agrees that the unroofed deck proposed and subject to the relief being
27 granted from the rear yard setback shall not be covered with a roof.

28 Ben seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

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30 **10. LIAISON REPORTS**

31 None

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33 **11. CORRESPONDENCE**

34 None

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36 **12. PUBLIC COMMENT**

37 None

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39 **13. ADJOURNMENT**

40 There being no further business, Sue moved to adjourn the meeting. Monica seconded the
41 motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

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43 Respectfully submitted

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46 Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY

1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

September 30, 2011

Dear Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Township has received a Zoning Hearing Board Application from QVC, Inc. QVC is requesting that the Zoning Hearing Board grant them relief from Zoning Ordinance requirements for Wall Signs for their property at 1365 Enterprise Drive, West Chester, 19380.

QVC has an existing Zoning Hearing Board Decision from 1986 related to the height of the existing wall sign on the building. QVC wishes to replace the sign with a new sign and modify the location of the sign slightly. QVC is seeking relief from the maximum size requirement (100 square feet) for a wall sign in the Business Park (BP) District (§240-22.Q(5)) in order to install a sign that is approximately 108 square feet. QVC is also seeking relief from the height requirement of wall signs (10 feet) (§240-22.N)) in order to install the wall sign at a height of 24 feet.

Pursuant to Township ordinance all property owners within 1000 feet of the property seeking Conditional Use approval, are notified of the meeting dates when the application will be discussed. The scheduled dates of the public meetings for review and potential approval of this application are as follows and are subject to change:

October 5, 2011 - Planning Commission meeting (workshop 7:00 pm, formal meeting at 7:30 pm)
(Presentation of Application)

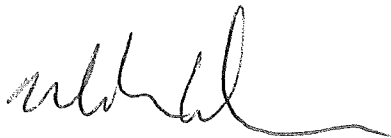
October 18, 2011 - Board of Supervisors meeting (7:00 pm)
(Presentation of Application)

November 17, 2011 – Zoning Hearing Board (7:30 pm)
(Zoning Hearing)

All meetings and workshops are held at the Township Building, are open to the public and subject to change. **The application materials are available for review during normal business hours.** If any person who wishes to attend the hearing has a disability and/or requires an auxiliary aid service or other accommodation to observe or participate in the hearing, he or she should contact the Township at 610-692-7171 to discuss how those needs may be accommodated.

Please call or email me at mgordon@eastgoshen.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Gordon
Township Zoning Officer

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY

1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

September 27, 2011

The Honorable Terence Farrell, *Chairman*
The Honorable Kathi Cozzone, *Vice Chairman*
The Honorable Ryan Costello
CHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
2 N. High Street, Suite 512
P.O. Box 2748
West Chester, PA 19380-0991

Re: Grant Application to the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP)

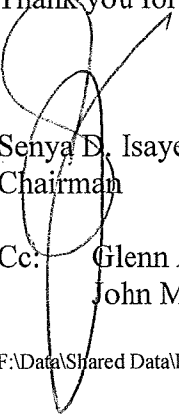
Dear Commissioners:

The Chester County GIS Department is currently mapping the battles that occurred in Chester County during the Revolutionary War. To date, they have mapped the Battles of Brandywine (Sept. 11, 1777) and Paoli (Sept. 20, 1777), and the layout of the British Camp in Tredyffrin.

The Board of Supervisors and residents of East Goshen Township respectfully request that the Battle of the Clouds (Sept. 16, 1777) is also included in this project and formally recognized for its importance in American History. The Battle of the Clouds is one of only three Revolutionary War battles fought in Chester County with a large portion of the battle having occurred within the boundaries of East Goshen Township.

It is our understanding that for this important battle to be included in the GIS project, the County would have to submit a grant application for additional funding to the American Battlefield Protection Program. We encourage the County to submit this application as soon as possible and before the deadline at the end of this year.

Thank you for your support,



Senya D. Isayeff
Chairman

Cc: Glenn Angstadt
John Mikowychok



Historical Commission

East Goshen Township

Chester County, Pennsylvania

1580 Paoli Pike

West Chester, PA 19380

610-692-7171

September 20, 2011

East Goshen Township
Board of Supervisors
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester, PA 19380

Re: Letter of Support to Chester County Commissioners
for a Grant Application to the
American Battlefield Protection Program

Dear Board Members,

At the Historic Commission meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2011, Sean Moir from the Chester County GIS Department gave a presentation to the Commission members on the benefits of having the battles related to the Philadelphia Campaign (also known as the Campaign of 1777) included on the animated GIS map that he developed through grants from the American Battlefield Protection Program. To date, Sean has mapped the Battles of Brandywine (Sept. 11, 1777) and Paoli (Sept. 20, 1777) and the layout of the British Camp in Tredyffrin and now would like to include the Battle of the Clouds (Sept. 16, 1777) which occurred between the battles of Brandywine and Paoli to complete his map project.

In order to add the Battle of the Clouds to the current map program, Chester County will have to apply to the American Battlefield Protection Program for another grant. This grant application is time sensitive and must be in by the end of this year. The Historic Commission would very much like to see the Battle of the Clouds included in this map project and we will be sending a letter encouraging the County Commissioners to again apply to ABPP for a grant. However, our letter alone is not enough to get this done. We are asking that the East Goshen Supervisors assist us in this effort by writing a letter encouraging the Chester County Commissioners to again apply for this grant as well.

The Historic Commission feels this project is important for the reasons listed below:

1. The Battle of the Clouds is one of only three Rev War Battles fought in Chester County.
2. This project will fill in the gap between the Battles of Brandywine and Paoli. East Goshen is not only home to many of the historic properties that figured in this battle, a large portion of the battle occurred within the boundaries of our Township.
3. This will help Historic Resource preservation in our county.

4. Chester County already has a good relationship with ABPP and the chances of getting another grant through our encouragement and support is good.

The entire Historic Commission is in complete agreement that this is a very important project. All of our members would like the Battle of the Clouds in East Goshen Township to be formally recognized for its importance in American History.

Please support us in this effort by sending a letter of encouragement to all three of our County Commissioners and copy Glenn Angstadt who is the Chester County CIO and John Mikowychok, the Director of Chester County Parks and Recreation on your letter.

Thank you for your prompt attention and support of this effort.

Sincerely,

Ellen Carmody
Chairman

Cc: Sean Moir

Rick Smith

From: Rick Smith [rsmith@eastgoshen.org]
Sent: Tuesday, September 27, 2011 7:48 AM
To: 'carmenrbattavio@aol.com'
Subject: FW: Any other matter
Attachments: Letter American Battlefield PProtect Program 092611.doc

FYI

Rick Smith, Township Manager
East Goshen Township
610-692-7171

From: Rick Smith [mailto:rsmith@eastgoshen.org]
Sent: Tuesday, September 27, 2011 7:47 AM
To: 'sisayeff@eastgoshen.org'
Cc: 'Don McConathy'; 'Thom Clapper'; 'emshane@aol.com'; 'carmenbattavio@aol.com'
Subject: Any other matter

We will have one item under the any other matter category tonight.

Rick Smith, Township Manager
East Goshen Township
610-692-7171

From: sisayeff@eastgoshen.org [mailto:sisayeff@eastgoshen.org]
Sent: Monday, September 26, 2011 11:01 AM
To: 'rsmith@eastgoshen.org'
Subject: FW: Letter of support to Chester County

Rick,

Good Morning!

It may be worthwhile, if there is time, to have the Letter of Support prepared for tomorrow night's meeting so that we can sign it as a Board and send it to the Board of Commissioners as soon as possible.

Thanks,

Senya

-----Original Message-----

From: metrica@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2011 5:38pm
To: sisayeff@eastgoshen.org, cbattavio@eastgoshen.org, tlclapper@eastgoshen.org, dmccconaty@eastgoshen.org, mshane@eastgoshen.org
Cc: CR19380@yahoo.com, rohrbeck@juno.com, kyahraes@aol.com, jls7547@verizon.net, Monica@rrhc.com, sciorletti@verizon.net, EDLEND@aol.com, moirs@comcast.net
Subject: Letter of support to Chester County

Dear Board Members,

The Historic Commission is asking for your assistance in obtaining a grant from the American Battlefield Protection Program.

The attached letter will explain what this grant is for and why the Historic Commission feels that it is important for the

Battle of the Clouds to be recognized in the County's mapping project.

If you have any questions concerning our request for your help, please contact me. You can reach me on my cell phone at 610-733-6836.

Thank you.

Ellen

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
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September 9, 2011

Monica D. Close
933 Linda Vista Drive
West Chester, PA 19380

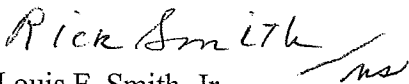
Re: Appointment to Historical Commission

Dear Monica:

I am pleased to inform you that at their meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2011, the Board of Supervisors appointed you to fill a former member's term on the East Goshen Township Historical Commission. Your term will expire at the end of the year 2013, at which time you may be re-appointed.

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, we look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rick Smith" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Louis F. Smith, Jr.
Township Manager

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CC: Jim Forsythe, Director, Chester County Voter Services
Historical Commission Members