

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, October 11, 2012 – 7:00 P.M.**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- 3. MINUTES – September 13, 2012**
- 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - A. Activity Calendar – Additions and Changes**
- 5. TREASURER’S REPORT**
- 7. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**
- 8. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Family Research for Historical Resources– (Ed)**
 - B. Events scheduled for 2013 – (Ellen and Kathryn)**
 - C. Museum Archive Program updates (Ellen)**
 - D. Questers - successful visit on the 09/19 (Ellen)**
 - E. Facebook and other Social Media (Kathryn)**
 - F. ABC Education Session Recap**
 - G. Other Old Business (all)**
- 9. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Plank House roof repair to be done this month**
 - B. Other New Business (all)**
- 10. SUB-DIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT**
- 11. LIAISON REPORTS**
- 12. CORRESPONDENCE**
- 13. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 14. ADJOURNMENT**

Oct 8, 2012	Municipal Authority	7:00 PM
Oct 8, 2012	ZHB Appeal	7:30 PM
	607 Thorncroft	
Oct 9, 2012	Board of Supervisors	7:00 PM
	Police Services Options WS	7:00 PM
Oct 10, 2012	Conservancy Board	7:00 PM
Oct 11, 2012	Historical Commission	7:00 PM
Oct 12, 2012	Fire Prevention Open House	
	1320 Park Ave	

Oct 13, 2012	Pumpkin Fest East Goshen Park (Oct 14 – Rain date)	10 – 1:00 PM
Oct 15, 2012	Commerce Development Comm.	7:00 PM
Oct 16, 2012	Board of Supervisors	7:00 PM
Oct 17, 2012	Planning Commission WS (cancelled) Zoning Ord. Article V	7:00 PM
Oct 23, 2012	Board of Supervisors Police Services Options WS	7:00 PM
Oct 29, 2012	Police Commission Meeting @ WEGO Police Station	8:00 AM
Oct 29, 2012	EGT Neighborhood University	6 – 9:30 PM

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
September 13, 2012

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Chris Reardon, Vice Chairman Ben Rohrbeck, members Kathryn Yahraes, Monica Close, Judy Schafer, Sue Ciorletti and non-voting member Ed Lendrat. Also in attendance were Dolores Higgins and Erich Meyer, Park & Recreation Commission.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

3. MINUTES

The Chairman noted that the minutes of August 9, 2012 were approved.

4. ACTIVITY CALENDAR

A. Kathryn pointed out that the copy of the calendar dated 9-10-12 is the most current one. The additional items are highlighted. She also pointed out that the Township Yard Sale is 9/29 not 10/29. On 10/18 the Chester Co Historical Society is holding a reception for the new display "On the Edge of Battle". Chris mentioned that the Paoli Battlefield is holding lectures this year at the General Warren Inn.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

None

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A. Battle of the Clouds – Chris wrote to Karen Marshall. She wants East Goshen to take the lead role when they start the meetings in November at Yellow Springs. Ben gave Chris a list of the houses that were in East Goshen at the time of the Battle.

B. Chris won't be here for the October meeting. Ben will lead the meeting.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Family Research – Ed distributed the last of the family research. This item on the agenda should be changed to Misc. Historic Research.

He also provided information for the 3 Tun Tavern. He studied several maps checking properties and determined the property was first patented to Morris James in 1736. His research shows the tavern didn't exist until 1811, so, it wasn't here during the Battle of the Clouds.

B. Balloons – Ellen asked Ed to research John Wise, who was a balloonist from Lancaster. Dolores stated that the first balloon ascension in the U.S. was from Phila. to Gloucester, NJ. Balloons were used during the Civil War. The North used gas. The South used air. Chris is looking for one with a long neck like the ones used during the Civil War. It will be for display only.

C. Budget – Chris reviewed the 2012 and 2013 budget numbers. The total being proposed for 2013 is \$3,425.

Kathryn mentioned that 24 more lawn signs are needed for Living History Day and will cost about \$300. It was decided to use remaining funds from the 2012 budget from Materials and Supplies.

1 Judy needs \$50 to add the township website on the bottom of the new sign. Someone told her
2 "welcome" was misspelled. When she checked, she noticed that the letters slide and pop out easily. The
3 sign maker will fix the sign with no charge.

4 Kathryn asked Jon Altshul for a transaction list for 2007 – 2012. Discussion:

5 1. She noticed that it has been 6 years since the Commission took a tour of the township historic
6 resources. She feels the cost for van rental should be added to next year's budget. Ben is not in
7 favor of spending money for this.

8 2. In talking to Jon, Kathryn noticed that workshops and conferences are not in the budget. She
9 reviewed a flyer on conferences. She feels funds should be added to the budget for education.

10 3. The plan for the next Living History Day is to turn the meeting room in the Blacksmith shop
11 into a camera study. Ben mentioned that he has historic photos and tintypes for this. No funds
12 are needed.

13 4. Brochures- Kathryn is concerned about consolidating everything to one brochure and using
14 the website. Using the website isn't for everyone. She doesn't want to lose the information. Ben
15 feels the Historical Commission should have an "information" button on the website. Kathryn
16 feels the volunteers need some of this information. Binders should be given to them.

17 5. Professional Services – Kathryn mentioned that the Planning Commission is reviewing the
18 Township Ordinances. She feels the Historical Commission should hire a consultant to help with
19 the Historic Ordinance. Chris explained that he and Ellen met with Sue Carty to review the
20 Historic Ordinance. The Planning Commission is only reviewing to make things clearer, they are
21 not redoing the ordinance. He and Ellen feel the Historic Ordinance is okay. They do not need to
22 hire a consultant.

23 6. Roof – Ben commented that he would rather have a good roofer do the work instead of a
24 historic based contractor. Kathryn suggested adding another \$300 for professional services.
25 Chris explained that the \$500 in 2012 budget and the \$500 in 2013 budget is for a historic
26 consultant to look at the buildings and give recommendations for the scope of work and timing.
27 The actual cost of the roof installation is a Township Capital Expense. Dolores commented that
28 during the last 5 years there has been no expense for consultants. Kathryn claims she got advice
29 from consultants for free which is hard to get in today's economy.

30 Judy made a motion to approve the proposed 2013 budget as presented by Chris for a total of
31 \$3,425. Sue seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
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33 **8. ANY OTHER MATTER**

34 A. Kathryn passed around plans for a remodel project at 600 Reservoir Road. The Commission
35 felt the work was mostly interior and had no concerns.

36 B. Kathryn passed around a sample of a maintenance program. She feels a Maintenance
37 Committee should be formed. Chris feels that the Public Works Dept should be involved if this is done.

38 C. Kathryn asked Chris to write a letter to the owner of the former bed & breakfast thanking him
39 for restoring the damaged area of the building.
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41 **9. ADJOURNMENT**

42 There being no further business, Sue moved to adjourn the meeting. Ben seconded the motion.

43 The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.
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48 Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary
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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION 2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AS OF 091012

JANUARY 2012

7 (Sat) EGT Annual Planning Session 7:45 am
12 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
21 LHD planning Session (at BSS) 9:00 am

FEBRUARY 2012

1 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 4/1]
9 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
11 (Sat) Preserving PA Wkshp 9:30-11:30 in Media
(snow date 2/25)
18 (Sat) Nat'l History Day – Judge's Orientation–9:30-11:30 am
25 (Sat) Nat'l History Day – Judge's Orientation 3-5:30 pm
(alternate date)

MARCH 2012

3 (Sat) Nat'l History Day Competition Judging –
8:00 am – 1:00 pm -- Immaculata University
3 ((Sat) Box Loom Demo – Peter Wentz Homestead
7 (Wed) Cap & Bonnet Workshop 10-12 Blacksmith Shop
8 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
11 (Sun) Charter Day – Brandywine Battlefield – 12-4pm
FREE
11 (Sun) Charter Day – any PHMC site – 12-4:00 pm – FREE
17 (Sat) CCHPN Conference 8:00 am– 2:00 pm
31 (Sat) Annual Egg Hunt 10:00 am– 12:00 noon (RAIN DATE 4/1)
TBA (Sun) Plank House Vol Orientation/Meeting– 1:00 pm

APRIL 2012

12 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
14 (Sat) Keep EGT Beautiful Day 8:30 am – Noon
15 (Sun) 97th Re-enactors Living History – Thornbury Park 10-4
21 (Sat) Historic Sugartown Day – 10 am – 4 pm
29 (Sun) LHD Meeting 12-2 at the BSS
24 (Tues) Primary Election Day
28 (Sat) Sheep to Shawl @ Colonial Plantation
TBA (Sat) CCHS Reception for NHD 10:00 am - CCHS

MAY 2012

2 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 7/1]
5 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale 9-1 (rain Date 5/6)
10 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
19 (Sat) Plank House opens for the season – Saturdays 10am–4pm
TBA (Sat) ABCs Meeting – 8:30-11 am

JUNE 2012

2 (Sat) Living History Day - Plank House 11 a.m.- 4 :00 pm
3 (Sun) Marshallton Blacksmith Shop – 2-4
13 (Wed) Fugett Awards Assembly 8th Grade – 8:30 am
14 (Thurs) Kickoff for Village Walks and Town Tours
21 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
23 (Sat) Community Day and Fireworks -- 4 to dark
(6/24 is Rain Date)
27 (Wed) CCHPN Meeting and Volunteer Recognition 5:00: pm

JULY 2012

TBA (Fri) -- Goshen Friends Camp at PH/BSS – 1-3 pm
4 (Wed) Constitution Center July 4 Celebration
12 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
30-31 (Mon-Tue) Goshen Fair – evening

AUGUST 2012

1-4 (Wed-Sat) Goshen Fair – evening
1 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 10/1]
9 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm

SEPTEMBER 2012

8-9 (Sat/Sun) Chadds Ford Days – 10 am to 5:00 pm
11 (Tue) Brandywine Battlefield Commemoration Ceremony 6pm
13 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
14-16 (Sat-Sun) 1777 Philadelphia Campaign at Brandywine State
Park in Delaware
FRI – 2 pm – 1 am – SET UP
SAT – 10 AM – 4 PM
SUN - 10 AM – 3 PM
19 (Wed) Questers Meeting and Tour – 10:30
20 (Thurs) Chester County Day Slide Presentation - 7:00 pm
29 (Sat) EGT Yard Sale 9-1 (30 = raindate)

OCTOBER 2012

1 (Mon) ABC Education Session 6-9:30 PM
6 (Sat) Chester County Day
11 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
13 (Sat) Pumpkin Fest EGT Park 10-1 (rain date 10/14)
13 (Sat) Paoli Illumination – 5:30-9:30 pm --CANCELED
14 (Sun) Chili Cook-Off 12-3 pm in West Chester
20 (Sat) Dedication & Tour EGT RCSTP
20 (Sat) Plank House closes for the season
27 (Sat) Marshallton Day – Blacksmith Shop – 5-8pm
27 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield – Halloween Eve - 6-8pm
TBA Fall Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Day

NOVEMBER 2012

6 (Tues) Election Day
7 (Wed) Newsletter Articles Due [in homes by 1/1]
8 (Thurs) CCHPN Log Cabin Lecture & Wine and Cheese at the
Black Walnut Winery in Sadsbury Twp – 6-8pm
8 (THURS) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
12 (Mon) Paoli Battlefield Lecture – Dr. Nancy Loane “Women at
the Valley Forge Encampment” (Gen Warren Inne –
6-8pm
17 (Sat) Neighbor-to-Neighbor Day
24 (Sat) Brandywine Battlefield – Patriots Day – 10am – 4pm)

DECEMBER 2012

1 (Sat) EGT Neighbor-To-Neighbor Day – 9:00 am to Noon
13 (Thurs) HC Meeting 7:00 pm
TBA EGT Volunteer TY & Holiday Party 6-9 pm