

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
October 11, 2012**

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a scheduled meeting on Thursday, October 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Vice Chairman Ben Rohrbeck, members Kathryn Yahraes, Monica Close, Sue Ciorletti and Ellen Carmody. Also in attendance were Dolores Higgins and Erich Meyer, Park & Recreation Commission.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

Ben asked Monica to lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

Ben asked for a moment of silence for our troops and embassy members around the world.

3. MINUTES

The Vice Chairman noted that the minutes of September 13, 2012 were approved.

4. ACTIVITY CALENDAR

A. It was noted that there is an additional item on the calendar. Monday, November 12, 2012, from 6-8 pm Dr. Nancy Loane will hold a lecture at the General Warren Inne about "Women at the Valley Forge Encampment".

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

None

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Facebook and other Social Media – Kathryn met with Heidi Karpa and gave her a list of topics. The Historic Commission should be online at the end of 2012.

East Goshen Website – There is no link to the Historic Area. Dolores suggested that a link be added under "Quick Links" on the Home Page for the Historic Commission.

B. ABC Meeting on October 1, 2012 – Kathryn reported that a few topics discussed were code of ethics, attendance, motions, etc. The mission statements for the various ABCs were listed on the back of the official agenda

C. 2013 Events - Living History Day – The next planning session will be on October 24 at the Blacksmith Shop. Ben asked if the Plank House is being set up as a photography studio and surgery, what happens between LHD and the Town Walk. Ellen said it will be the same for both events. Dolores pointed out that the Township Staff should be told that the meeting room in the Blacksmith Shop will not be available for outside groups during this 2 month period because it will be set up as a tavern.

D. Archive Program – Ben turned in all of his photos with descriptions. Ellen's camera could not take a photo of the makers mark on cups, etc. Dolores thinks her camera can do this. Ellen explained how the computer program is set up.

E. Dark Valley Questors – Ellen reported that about 20 people attended. Kathryn was at the Plank House and Chris was at the Blacksmith Shop. The Questors gave a \$37 donation. They were very surprised to find out that the historic events are run by volunteers. Ellen did a demo of the box loom for them.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Plank House Roof – Stoltzfus Roofing was the low bid to replace the roof on the Plank House. Kathryn reported that the work will start soon. Commission members voiced concerns about whether this roofer can do a period wooden roof or not.

9. ANY OTHER MATTER

A. Civil War Exhibit – Kathryn mentioned that the Chester County Historical Society’s Civil War display will open on Thursday, October 18, 2012.

B. Kathryn reported that CCHPN is having their Meet & Greet on Thursday, Nov. 8, which is the same night as the Historical Commission meeting. She will be attending the Meet & Greet. If others want to go too, the meeting will have to be changed to another night.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ben moved to adjourn the meeting. Sue seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary