

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
May 9, 2013**

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a scheduled meeting on Thursday May 9, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Chris Reardon, Judy Schafer, Kathryn Yahraes, Sue Ciorletti, William Schultz and non-voting member Ed Lendrat. Also in attendance was Dolores Higgins, resident.

**COMMON ACRONYMS:**

*BOS – Board of Supervisors*

*BSS – Blacksmith Shop*

*CCHS – Chester County Historic Society*

*CCHPN – Chester County Historical Preservation Network*

*DAR – Daughters of the American Revolution*

*HRIS – Historical Resource Impact Study*

*LHD – Living History Day*

*NHD – National History Day*

*NR – National Register of Historic Places*

*PHMC – PA Historical Museum Commission*

*SAR – Sons of the American Revolution*

*TTVW – Town Tours & Village Walks*

**Call to Order**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence**

Judy led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

Chris asked for a moment of silence for our troops and celebration of the return of the 3 girls and child.

**Minutes**

The Chairman noted that the minutes of April 11, 2013 were approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Chairman noted in Monica's absence no activity to report.

**Announcements**

1. The Calendar of Events was reviewed. Chris noted that the Brandywine Patriots Day will be held on September 28, 2013, not November. Also there will be a Ghost Tour at Paoli on September 28. Kathryn pointed out that Wednesday, June 26, 6:30 to 9:30 there will be a planning meeting for TTVW on July 25.

**Chairman's Report**

1. Chris mentioned that Historic Sugartown Day was Saturday May 4. It was a good crowd and a nice day. He assisted in the telegraph tent.

**Old Business**

1. Historic Resources Research- Ed Lendrat provided reports on 101 & 103 Rossmore, 1225 N Chester Rd, 900 Vista Dr., and 1601 Paoli Pike. Chris commented that he has received good feedback from the County about Ed's research work. East Goshen was the first township to finish documentation of its historic resources. Chris reviewed the update email he received from Karen. She mentioned that they are reviewing 213 properties.  
Judy has been working on the files in the office at the township building. She wants to move some of the files out of the cabinet and needs some storage boxes. Also, she will put a sign on the filing cabinet asking people to sign out anything that they take.
2. At the Living History meeting last night, Kathryn reported that they covered publicity and assignments. She will send out an email to everyone. Next Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup> they will be moving the furniture starting at 6:30 pm. The meeting room at the BSS will be the tavern. The PH will hold the post office and photography studio. LHD will be featured on Channel 20 during the last 2 weeks of May. They will update the handout and email it. The garden will be ready. Lunch will be provided for the volunteers. If there is cancellation due to weather, an email will be sent to everyone. Judy reminded everyone of the painting/staining that still needs to be done at the PH and BSS. Kathryn will

- contact Mark Miller. Also, Mark Miller will meet the Commission members at the PH in August to review the list of regular maintenance.
3. Comp Plan Update – Kathryn commented that, as part of the process of updating the CP, the Brandywine Conservancy will hold a Visioning Session on Monday, June 3, 7:00 pm at the Township Building. This is an opportunity for the community to voice their ideas and concerns about the future of East Goshen Township. The next regular meeting will be Thursday May 30 instead of Monday due to the holiday. Also, she requested that the review of the historic resources be moved to the July meeting because of the events the HC will be involved in. So, at the June meeting of the HC, the commission members need to review the sections of the current CP related to historic resources. Chris asked that copies be sent to everyone before the June meeting.
  4. Dolores mentioned that Tony Torriero asked about a wire wheel. Chris commented that they won't be using it so he can have it back.

### **New Business**

1. Eagle Scout Project – Chris will invite the Scout to come to the next meeting and make a presentation of the project. The scope of the project is to make sign cases at the historic area to hold information about the area and events.
2. Chris attended a meeting on Monday at the Newlin Gristmill to get information about joining with other historic sites to plan a joint tour. The 5 groups will be – Brandywine, Newlin Gristmill, Ridley Plantation, Paoli and East Goshen. The year being featured is 1777. The event will cover 5 Saturdays this summer. People will purchase a ticket that will be stamped at each event. Newlin Gristmill will be the last event. Everyone who has stamps on their ticket for all 5 events will receive a 1 year membership to Brandywine, Newlin Gristmill and Ridley (they are the 3 sites that charge admission). East Goshen's date will be Saturday, September 14, 2013. Dolores asked about publicity. Chris is working on that. It will be called "1777 Philadelphia Campaign – Multi-site Event". The Commission members agreed to participate. Chris will let the group know.
3. June 19<sup>th</sup> is the CCHPN's Annual Volunteer Recognition Program at Historic Sugartown at 5:00 pm. She needs to know who will be attending.
4. There was discussion about the emails that Kathryn and Chris receive from CCHPN. It was decided that she will put them on the agenda or send out an email.
5. Tiger Cubs – Ben met with them. Kathryn will get their "Thank You" notes to Ben.
6. Historic Goshenville Signs – Kathryn mentioned that these signs were removed for updating 2 years ago. The one that was on Rt 352 in front of the historic area is still not replaced. Something needs to be done about it.
7. Rain Garden – Kathryn read in the minutes for the Park & Recreation Commission that they are planning to put a rain garden in Applebrook Park near the new bridge. The Historical Commission members feel they should be included in the discussions for projects involving historic resources. Kathryn did speak to Heidi Karpa, Chairman of the Park & Recreation Commission, about this. It was decided that the subject of liaisons will be revisited at next month's meeting.
8. Memorial Day – Kathryn gathered information for Memorial Day if anyone wants to put something together for the website. This was tabled until next year.
9. Bill got a good response from his article, so each month he will bring a report about a post office that is/was near East Goshen. He distributed copies of his report about the Glenloch post office in East Whiteland.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Judy moved to adjourn the meeting. Sue seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted

by Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary