

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2013**

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a scheduled meeting on Thursday December 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Chris Reardon, Judy Schafer, Kathryn Yahraes, William Schultz, Monica Close, Sue Ciorletti and Ed Lendrat. Others present: Joseph Brion, Township Solicitor and Debra Shulski, attorney.

COMMON ACRONYMS:

BOS – Board of Supervisors

BSS – Blacksmith Shop

CCHS – Chester County Historic Society

CCHPN – Chester County Historical Preservation Network

CPTF – 2015 Comprehensive Plan Task Force

DAR – Daughters of the American Revolution

HC – Historical Commission

HRIS – Historical Resource Impact Study

LHD – Living History Day

NHD – National History Day

NR – National Register of Historic Places

PH – Plank House

PHMC – PA Historical Museum Commission

SCA – Sustainable Communities Assessment

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

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

Sub-Division/Land Development/Resource Inventory

Hearings were held regarding the following locations:

1662 E. Boot Rd, Class II – Owners Eric and Loretta Rudolph were present.

1631 E. Strasburg Rd. Class II – Owner Susan Kody was present.

They were requesting removal from the East Goshen Historic Resource Inventory. Joseph Brion, Township Solicitor, oversaw the hearings. The result of both hearings was that the Historical Commission unanimously recommended to the Board of Supervisors that these locations be removed for the Historic Resource Inventory. The Board of Supervisors will consider this recommendation at their meeting on Monday, January 6, 2014.

Minutes

The Chairman noted that the minutes of November 14, 2013 were approved as corrected.

Announcements

Calendar of events for 2014 - Kathryn pointed out that February 15, 2014 is the training for judges for the National History Day event.

Treasurer's Report

Dolores Higgins mentioned that she was waiting to purchase the additional frames she needs for the maps she located. Monica commented that the budget for 2013 was \$3400 and \$2800 has been spent. Dolores will order the frames.

Chairman's Report

Chris attended the meeting the County had for the presentation of the results for the "Battle of the Clouds" research. He had the written technical report and the DVD. He intends to put a link on the Township website to the DVD. The technical report will be scanned and emailed to the HC members.

Old Business

1. Ed distributed the written reports he prepared on East Goshen Literary Societies.
2. Bill gave all of the Commission members a copy of the magazine "American Philatelic" which published Bill's article. Also he passed around a postcard with the Goshen Meeting House 1736 on it.

3. Chris presented a proposed slate of officers for 2014 – Chairman – Judy Schafer and Vice Chairman – Ellen Carmody. Sue made a motion to accept the proposed slate of officers. Bill seconded the motion. The commission members voted unanimously for the slate of officers.

Liaison Report

Park & Recreation - Judy reported that she attended their meeting with Mary McLoughlin, Parks & Recreation Director for Willistown. Mary made a presentation about the “Go Wilma” summer program Willistown has for children. The PRC was very interested in participating. Mary wants to use only one site in a park next summer. Judy feels they may use a site in the historic area the following summer.

Any Other Matter

Kathryn reported that the garden at the Plank House was roto-tilled and mulched.
The CPTF does not have a meeting in Dec.
The Annual ABCs meeting will be Saturday January 11. The Commission needs to work on goals and objectives at their next meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Monica moved to adjourn the meeting. Sue seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary