

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 9, 2015

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday July 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Chris Reardon, Dolores Higgins, Sue Ciorletti, Montajejan Gay, non-voting members Ed Lendrat, Ben Rohrbeck.

Others present were Kathryn Yahraes, Baxter Wellmon- 46 Lockwood Drive resident since 1976, Paul Nogrady new resident.

COMMON ACRONYMS:

BOS - Board of Supervisors

BSS - Blacksmith Shop

CCHS - Chester County Historical Society
Places

CCHPN - Chester Co Historical Preservation Network PHMC-PA Historical Museum
Commission

DAR - Daughters of the American Revolution
Revolution

HRIS - Historical Resource Impact Study
Walks

LHD - Living History Day

NHD - National History Day

NR - National Register of Historic

SAR - Sons of the American

TTWW - Town Tours & Village

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Chris R. led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance, then asked all present for a moment of silence to remember those who serve in our military service and our best wishes for Mark Miller's rapid recovery.

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Minutes approved with following correction Page 1 line 8 **Montajejan**

Treasurer's Report

Dolores reported that all the charges for the June event have been submitted. There remains \$1300.00 in the 2015 budget.

Chairperson's Report

Chris reported: BOS has requested that the 2016 proposed budget be submitted by end of August.

Old Business

Update on Historical Resources built prior to 1860. This is complete and we will continue to fine tune the information and begin to place the information in a data base/spreadsheet.

Review of the Historical sections of the proposed Comp Plan.

2015 HC Objectives update:

Historic Properties Project continues. With the fall more members of the HC will be able to assist Judy in clarifying the data and updating the records.

Artisan's Fair June 6, 2015 Review - very successful. Approx. 300 people attended. We received multiple thank yous from people who attended, and from the presentors. The township receptionist, Joann, reported that several people called to thank us and say what a wonderful day it was. They look forward to coming to our next event. The Farmer's Market vendors and the presentors requested to participate again next year. The HC will investigate expanding the event.

New Business

Mr. Wellmon and Mr. Nogrady asked to address the HC:

1- Mr Wellman spoke on the history of the Milltown area. He has been a long time resident and has done extensive research on the area. This includes the history of the Milltown Dam. Original dam was stone and mud. In 1924 it was upgraded, but it was in use prior by the Borough of Milltown. Without the dam the 2 most important mills would not have been able to exist. He would like to relate the history how the area was developed. He would like to work with the HC to share what research the HC has and what he can add to it. He would like to preserve the history of the area and have the history available to people of EG. Ed Lendrat has reviewed what Mr. Wellman has brought in and the HC will be happy to work with him to enlarge and expand the information that we have on the area.

2- Paul Nogrady owns the house behind the Hoopes property off Reservoir Road. He has lived in the township about a year. He has used a metal detector and has worked with Mark Gordon to obtain maps. He has done some work in different areas and found shell casing in the berm area of Hershey Mill Dam. He would like to work with the HC to find the right areas to look at and then document and display the findings.

Project Plans for 2016 - Do another Artisan Fair. Look for more artisans, get started earlier, and think about expanding the usable area behind the PH.

Budget for 2016 - Discussion on the 2015 Budget, where we stand and if we expect to spend the remaining funds. Dolores reported that we are on track and do not expect any additional expenses other than what is already planned - Several memberships and the floor cloth for the PH. For 2016 we plan to request basically the same budget as

2015. We have several small items we are looking for and plan to improve our displays, with the addition of the new display cases. Chris proposed this and Sue seconded. Chris will send the requested spreadsheet to Jon Altshul for the 2016 budget.

Correspondence and Public Comment

Sue reported on the CCHPN Annual Volunteer Recognition event. The event was very interesting, a good tour of the graveyard at the Grove United Methodist Church.

Oct 24 - Fall workshop by CCHPN in Olivet in Coatesville, Nov 18 lecture topic to be announced.

Chester County Day is Oct 3 and it is in our quadrant. Historic Goshenville will be open that day from 10 - 2.

The springhouse by the Chamber building (1600 Paoli Pk) needs attention. There are weeds and vines that should be removed and the roof needs repair.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Dolores moved to adjourn the meeting. Sue seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dolores Higgins
Historical Commission Member