

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2016**

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday February 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Chairman Dolores Higgins, Chris Reardon, Ellen Carmody, new member Toby Gelman, Judy Schafer, Montajejan Gay and non-voting member Ed Lendrat. Other present: Carmen Battavio, Township Supervisor.

COMMON ACRONYMS:

CCHS - Chester County Historical Society	NR - National Register of Historic Places
BOS - Board of Supervisors	LHD - Living History Day
BSS - Blacksmith Shop	NHD - National History Day
CCHPN - Chester Co Historical Preservation Network	PHMC-PA Historical Museum Commission
DAR - Daughters of the American Revolution	SAR - Sons of the American Revolution
HRIS - Historical Resource Impact Study	TTVW - Town Tours & Village Walks

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

Dolores 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.

Minutes

Minutes of January 14, 2016 were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Dolores mentioned that Montajejan will be the treasurer for 2016. There are 2 payments for donations to CCHPN & HMC that come in late in the year. Dolores asked Barbara Phillips to move them to January. Dolores will check into the Chester Co. Historical Society. The last membership payment was in 2008 for \$500.00 for a sustaining membership. The budget amount is \$100. Also Dolores has receipts for supplies she purchased for the Artisans Fair.

Chairperson's Report

Dolores mentioned that Joanne Morgan has been sending her notices from other Historic groups. The members decided to have these items put on the Website.

Old Business

Historical Resources Update – Ed reported that he typed the reports for 1351 Paoli Pike and 600 Reservoir Road. He distributed copies.

A friend suggested that he contact the management of Bellingham about the research he did on the farm house there. He gave a copy to Liz Boyle, Director of Sales, who

sent a very nice thank you note. Ed suggested that the Commission should present the Battle of the Clouds at Bellingham.

Carmen mentioned that Bellingham may be interested in coordinating their bus for the Artisans Fair.

2016 Objectives

a. Artisan's Fair June 4, 2016 – Ellen reviewed the list of artisans, authors, food vendors and military groups who have agreed to participate. East Whiteland has 3 volunteers coming, the fire police are all set, the flyer is on the website and they are starting to plan where to put everyone. Dolores has 50 yarn doll kits made so far.

Part of the event will be a presentation honoring Ben Rohrbeck.

b. Historic Properties update – Judy and Ed are working on putting the properties in order.

c. Historic Preservation Standards – Dolores is trying to set up a meeting in April or May with the East Goshen Planning Commission (Monica Close, Liaison), and Karen Marshall and Jeannine Speirs from the Chester County Planning Commission to look at our Historic Preservation standards and compare it to what other municipalities are using.

CCHPN Spring Workshop March 12 – Chris and Dolores will attend.

NEW BUSINESS

When Ed completes these last 7 properties, he would like suggestions for further research. Dolores suggested the Spring House at the Chamber Building in Applebrook with the dome ceiling. Chris suggested preparing the 1817 map for presentation at the Bi-centennial next year. Judy suggested the driveway and trees in Applebrook – what did they go to? Chris mentioned historic views in the parks. Jason Lang is interested in posting these in the parks.

Volunteers – Montajeau volunteered to put together a schedule for summer tours in May and June and September and October. She will also contact volunteers. Toby will check with West Chester University to find out when their volunteer day is.

National History Day is still looking for volunteers.

School Reunion – Toby spoke with Jim Jenkins who liked the idea of a reunion. She will continue to contact others.

DATES OF INTEREST

- a. Mar 3, 4 – National History Day – CCHS
- b. Mar 12 – CCHPN Spring Workshop
- c. April 2,3 – CCHS Antique Fair
- d. June 4 – Artisan's Fair
- e. June 22 – CCHPN Volunteer Recognition Dinner at the Downingtown Country Club.

LIAISON REPORT

Board of Supervisors – Carmen reported on the status for the East Goshen Master Plan. He encouraged everyone to go on the website to look at it.

ANY OTHER MATTER

Ed asked if anyone had the information from Upper Darby Township about their reward program for owners of historic properties. Chris has it.

Judy mentioned that the quilt is almost done. She just has to finish the border.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chris moved to adjourn the meeting. Ellen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer
Recording Secretary