

AGENDA
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
September 10, 2020
7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE
3. APPROVAL of MINUTES
 - February 13, 2020
4. OLD BUSINESS
5. NEW BUSINESS
 - Events Update – working with COVID
 - 2021 Budget
6. LIAISON REPORTS
7. CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT
8. ADJOURNMENT

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HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
February 13, 2020

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday February 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. Members in attendance are indicated in bold:

Ted Roberts, Chairman

Mary Urbine, Vice Chairman

Kelly Bidegary,

Ed Lendrat,

Charles Proctor

Others Present: Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer,

John Hertzog, Township Supervisor

Call to Order – Ted called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance – Ted led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to remember our military, first responders and police.

Minutes

The minutes of the December 12, 2019 and the January 9, 2020 meetings were approved.

Old Business

1. **Ornament** – Ted mentioned that ordering 300 ornaments gives the CB the best price. However, since they haven't sold that many, he feels that ordering 100 ornaments this year may be better. He suggested Clocktower if they approve. He will put some of the existing ornaments in the Blacksmith Shop this summer when they are open.

2. **ABC Meeting and 2020 Goals**– Chuck did the presentation this year. Ted spoke about the goals for 2020. For the Ghost Walk he would like to make it longer and scarier. He expects a repeat of the Escape Room. He thanked Public Works for all of the maintenance they do and the Blacksmiths Gary and Chas. He wants to consider having a Blacksmith challenge to make a small tool; person vs person and maybe township vs township.

3. **CCHPN** – Ted would like to have a commission member attend the meetings and events of the CCHPN. Mary volunteered to do that.

New Business.

1. **Pumpkin Challenge** – Ed mentioned this and Ted verified that Jason Lang is planning to have this challenge for the ABC's at the Pumpkin Festival.

2. **Bus Tour** – Ed mentioned that in 2001 they had a Christmas Bus Tour. He had a copy of the route showing the historic areas.

3. **National Trust for Historic Preservation** – The Commission approved \$60.00 for renewal of their membership.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mary moved to adjourn the meeting. Ed seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

Memo

To: Conservancy Board, Parks & Rec Commission, Pipeline Task Force, Futurist Commission, Sustainability Advisory Commission & **Historical Commission**
From: Jon Altshul
Re: 2021 Budget Request
Date: July 21, 2020

As we enter the second half of 2020, it is time to begin thinking about the Township's budget for 2021.

To that end, if your ABC has its own budget, attached please find an Excel worksheet with individual tabs for each of your ABCs showing a blank column for the 2020 budget request.

I would be grateful if you could provide me with:

- 1) 2021 budget requests for each line item
- 2) A justification for your 2021 budget request.

Needless to say, 2021 promises to be an exceptionally difficult year for all state and local governments nationwide. The COVID pandemic is having a substantially negative impact on a number of Township revenue streams. Moreover, as you know, the Township cut the ABC budgets in 2020, and we are still staring at an operating deficit of nearly \$500,000 this year, and 2021 could be even worse. Accordingly, the Board of Supervisors will be forced to make a number of stark choices in establishing its budget for next year, which is likely to affect all of our lines of business.

Therefore, my annual reminder about "needs" versus "wants" is even more important now. Remember your group's mission, goals and objectives. Then ask yourselves, what do you need in order to realize your objectives and what do you merely want? Expenditures that don't meet the "need" threshold are unlikely to receive BOS approval, especially for next year.

Note that the Township has many "ABC-related" expenditures. For example, the Township needs to maintain the Blacksmith Shop/Plank House. The Township also incurs legal costs related to the pipeline and consulting costs related to planning work, etc. These line items are separate from your ABC budget.

Please don't hesitate to contact me by phone or email over the summer.

As we plan to have preliminary budget materials prepared for discussions with the Board in early autumn, **please return this completed worksheet to me by no later than Friday, September 25th**. I will follow up with you if I have any questions.

Thank you!

HISTORICAL COMMISSION		2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	2019 Actual	2020 Adopted	2020 Revised*	2021 Request	Justification
MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	01462 2490	462	109	2,415	653	500			
GENERAL EXPENSE	01462 2492	18	85	-	2,477	800			
MINOR EQUIP. PURCHASE	01462 2600	126	-	-	-	180			
MEMBERSHIPS/SUBS	01462 3000	145	195	60	257	365			
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	01462 3100	-	-	-	-	200			
EVENTS	01462 5000	313	63	-	70	650			
TOTAL		1,064	453	2,475	3,457	2,695	-	-	

* Note that \$812 was incurred in 2020 on cash basis for purchase of ornaments in 2019