EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING January 14, 2021

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday January 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Because of Covid-19 restrictions the meeting was conducted via Zoom. Members in attendance are indicated in bold:

Ted Roberts, Chairman
Mary Urbine, Vice Chairman
Kelly Bidegary,
Ed Lendrat,
Charles Proctor
Ken Lorence – new member
Dan McCall – new member

Others Present: Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer,

John Hertzog, Township Supervisor

Dana Heller

There was not a quorum present for this meeting.

Reorganization

This will be done at the next meeting when there is a quorum.

Minutes

The minutes of the February 13, 2020 and September 10, 2020 meetings will be approved when there is a quorum.

New Business.

Mark welcomed the two new members Ken and Dan. He explained the purpose of the Commission and the history of the list of historic properties. A few historic properties have been removed for development, but the township is now about 90% built out. Ken mentioned that he lives in Gateway Apartments where there is a historic building. Mark explained how it was moved from next to the intersection to its current location in order to preserve it.

Hershey's Mill Dam – Mark commented that this was an active grist mill. The Corps of Engineers required removal because of possible flooding. The Township breached the dam and is installing a park which will have walking trails, fishing ponds and parking. The old mill house was bought and is being renovated. The work has started on the dam.

Milltown Dam – Mark mentioned that this is a historic dam built in the 1800's. It also had to be breached due to concerns of down stream flooding. Behind the dam there was a huge pond but it was slowly drained and is going back to the original stream. There is going to be a park there too. Work should start in 2022.

ABC Meeting - Mark explained that this meeting is for all of the members of the Authorities, Boards and Commissions of the Township. Its purpose is for the ABC members to meet and hear about what the other ABCs have done and plan to do for the next year. It will be held on Zoom on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

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The Business Park Task Force was just formed. They will meet with business property owners and recommend ordinance changes if needed to make sure the parks will be full.

Liaison Reports

None

Correspondence

None

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

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