

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY November 14th, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- 3. MINUTES – October 10th, 2013**
- 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - A. Activity Calendar – Additions and Changes**
- 5. TREASURER’S REPORT**
- 7. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT**
- 8. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Misc. Research for Historical Resources (Ed)**
 - B. Comprehensive Plan Update (Kathryn and Monica)**
 - C. Catalogue of Historic Artifacts (Ellen)**
 - D. Cleaning & Return of Historic sites to 18th Century (all)**
 - E. Wheelwright Shop (Meeting Room) decorations (Judy)**
 - F. Report on Open Space Project (Chris and Monica)**
 - G. Other Old Business (All)**
- 9. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Consider Rudolph Request: 1662 E. Boot Rd.**
 - B. Final spending for 2013**
 - C. Discuss Officers for 2014**
 - D. Other New Business (All)**
- 10. SUB-DIVISION / LAND DEVELOPMENT**
- 11. LIAISON REPORTS**
- 12. CORRESPONDENCE**
- 13. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 14. ADJOURNMENT**

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**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
October 10, 2013**

The East Goshen Township Historical Commission held a scheduled meeting on Thursday October 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Building. In attendance were: Co-Chairman Judy Schafer, Kathryn Yahraes, William Schultz, Ellen Carmody, Monica Close, Sue Ciorletti and Ed Lendrat. Others present: Dolores Higgins, resident.

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

Judy called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance & Moment of Silence

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

Minutes

The Co - Chairman noted that the minutes of September 12, 2013 were approved as corrected.

Announcements

The calendar of events for 2013 was reviewed. Kathryn pointed out that there were some additions. She provided a draft of the 2014 calendar. Also, she gave out a flyer for the Chester Co. Preservation Fair on Saturday, October 26 in Historic Yellow Springs.

Treasurer's Report

Monica reported there is no change in the treasurer's report. Ed mentioned that the shipping cost for the saddle has not been paid yet.

Chairman's Report

A. Ellen reported that a letter was received from Sandy Snyder, Chairman of the Conservancy Board, letting them know that there will be a planting on E. Boot Road, near the Plank House and boardwalk on Saturday November 9, 9:00 am-12 noon; raindate November 10. They need volunteers. The commission members are concerned that the Conservancy Board did not include them in the planning process since this is in the historic area. Chris will find out what they are planting.

B. The Township is updating the Open Space Plan and needs 1 main member and 1 alternate from each ABC. Ellen said Chris volunteered for this committee. Monica volunteered to be the alternate. They will meet the 3rd Thurs each month for 8 months. The first meeting is Oct. 17.

Old Business

A. Misc. Research

Ed's research this month was on 1351 Paoli Pike and 600 Reservoir Road.

Bill's post office report was on Belvidere (West Whiteland Twp) which was located in the railroad station. He pointed out that Ben Franklin was on the first postage stamp. He mentioned that he was on the West Whiteland Historic Commission and they made developers move historic buildings instead of demolishing them. They also had a list of historic trees in the Township. He would be interested in doing this in East Goshen. He was told that the CB does this.

1 B. CPTF – Kathryn provided a copy of the township history that has been used in the past. It is the longest
2 version. She asked the members to review it and be ready to discuss it at the November meeting.

3 C. Archives – Ellen reported that the list is incomplete. There are no books, maps or clothing on it. She is
4 trying to locate people who have “loaned” items.

5 D. Judy reported that the Plank House is cleaned and all clothes are in the closet.

6 E. Wheelwright shop – Judy has collected art work, maps and paintings and hung them on one wall in the
7 meeting room. Judy asked Chris to find out if the Township has an extra flag on a stand to use in the
8 meeting room. She is getting Ben’s map professionally framed.

9 Sue mentioned that this year, when she is the only one on the site on Saturday, she did not feel safe. Also,
10 she feels they should not be open on holidays (4th of July and Labor Day). Judy feels that this needs to be
11 discussed and maybe they need to rethink being open every Saturday. The Blacksmith is the attraction.

12 Ellen suggested having 1 day a month with more people and some activities. It must be advertised and the
13 signs should be put out. Even if there are no visitors, it would be a day for the volunteers to cross train.

14 F. Other Old Business

15 1. Kathryn reported that 29 people attended the Chester County Day slide show last week. Next
16 year the event will highlight the Northeast quadrant of the county.

17 18 **New Business**

19 A. The township is going back to mailing a paper newsletter. Since it will be prepared by an outside firm,
20 the deadline for articles is not flexible. The deadline is Oct. 29 for the winter issue. Kathryn will do an
21 article and include the fact that they need volunteers to help maintain the garden through the summer.

22 B. The scope of next year’s CATO directory will be “Building on a firm foundation”. They will cover
23 historic buildings that have an adaptive reuse. Kathryn reviewed the list of East Goshen buildings that are
24 historic and used by a business. She will send this list to CATO.

25 C. Kathryn pointed out that Goals and Objectives for 2014 need to be discussed next month. Also, they
26 need to discuss officers for 2014.

27 D. Kathryn attended the Park & Recreation meeting last week and brought up the subject of the scout
28 project. She commented to them that more than just 3 locations were actually discussed on the site walk.
29 She described some of the alternative locations to the Park & Rec members. The Park Commission is still
30 going to recommend the site in Applebrook along the parking lot path at the Chamber building to the BOS.
31 Dolores mentioned the pathway going into the woods next to the soccer fields as a good location. The
32 Commission discussed the problem of lack of communication between the ABCs. Kathryn will compose a
33 draft letter to the BOS and email it to the other HC members for review.

34 E. Canopies – Judy moved to purchase two, white canopies. Sue seconded the motion. The motion
35 passed. Monica will purchase them. Dolores gave Monica a coupon for them.

36 37 **Adjournment**

38 There being no further business, Sue moved to adjourn the meeting. Monica seconded the motion. The
39 meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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41 Respectfully submitted

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44 Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary

DEBRA A. SHULSKI
Debbie@rrhc.com
Extension 210



RILEY RIPER HOLLIN & COLAGRECO
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Please reply to Exton Office

November 7, 2013

via Email Only

Mark Gordon, Zoning Officer
East Goshen Township
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester, PA 19380

Re: Eric and Loretta Rudolph
1662 E. Boot Road
Our File: 6103-02

Dear Mark:

As you know, Loretta and Eric Rudolph submitted a request to have their house removed from the Class II Historic Resource Inventory. We understand this matter is scheduled before the East Goshen Historic Commission for review at their meeting on November 14, 2013. For purposes of this meeting, enclosed please find photographs of the existing conditions of the house (including the exterior and interior). Please include the photographs with your package to be distributed to the Historic Commission.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to being before the Historic Commission on November 14th.

Very truly yours,

DEBRA A. SHULSKI

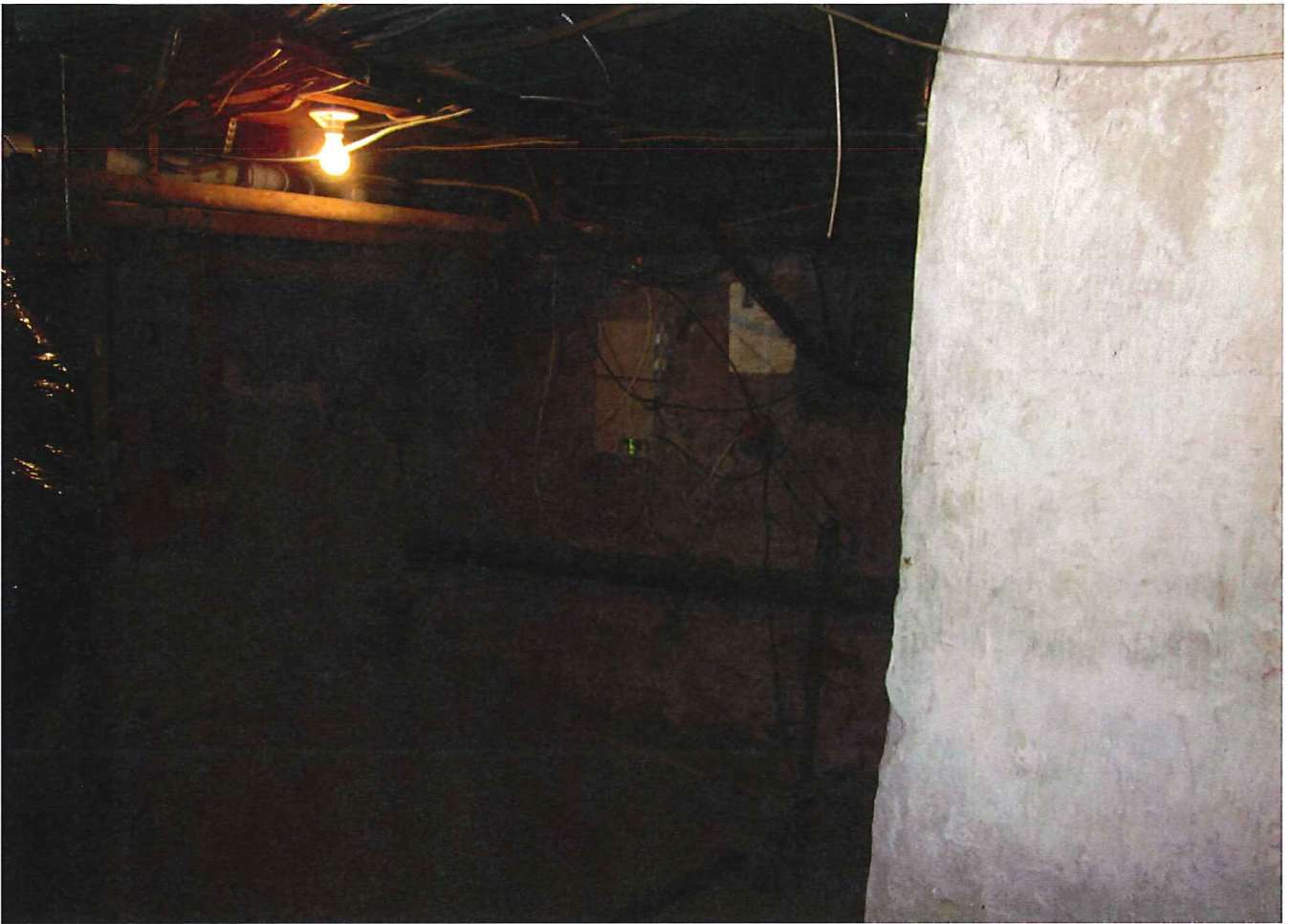
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Enclosure

cc: Eric and Loretta Rudolph

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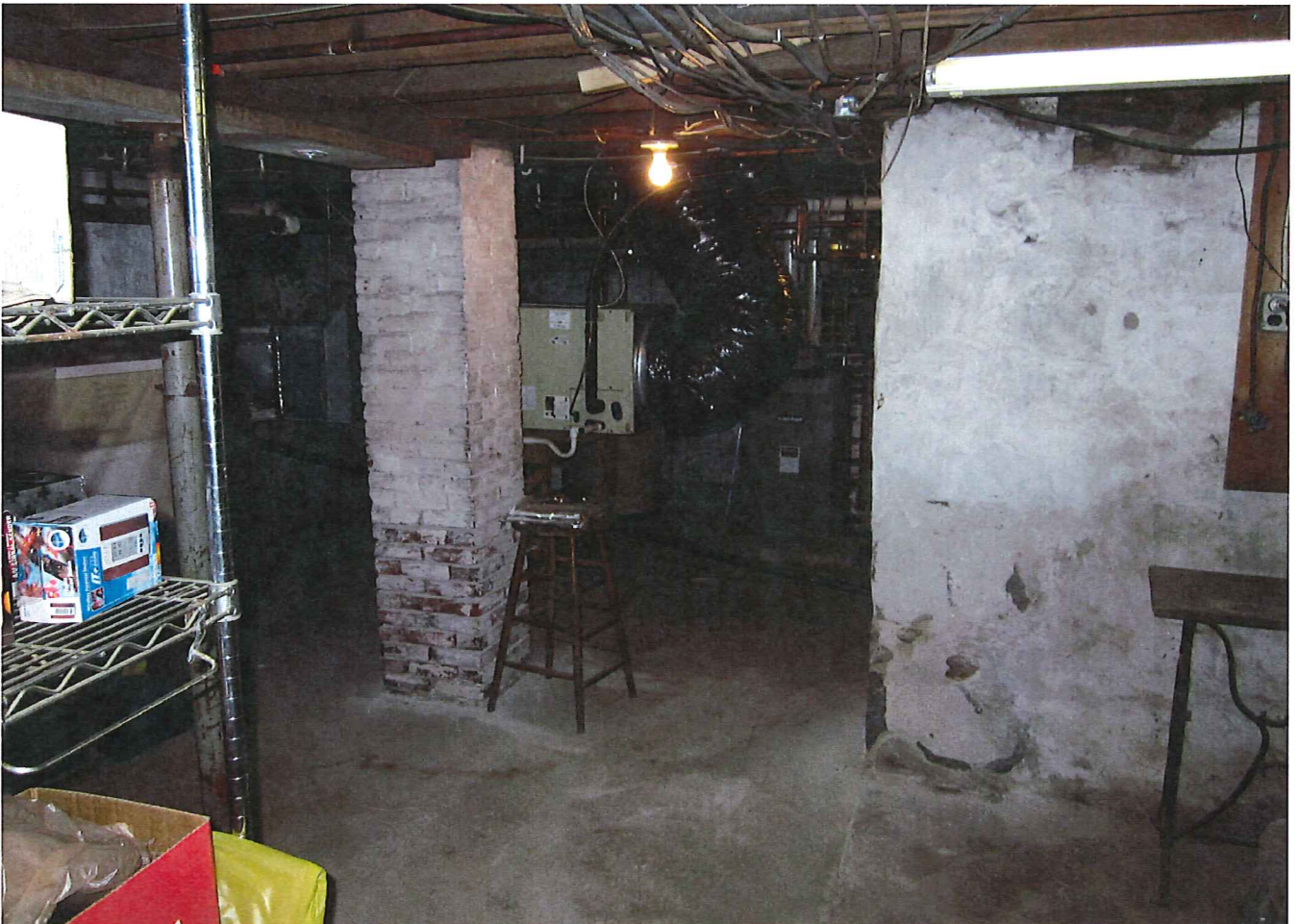
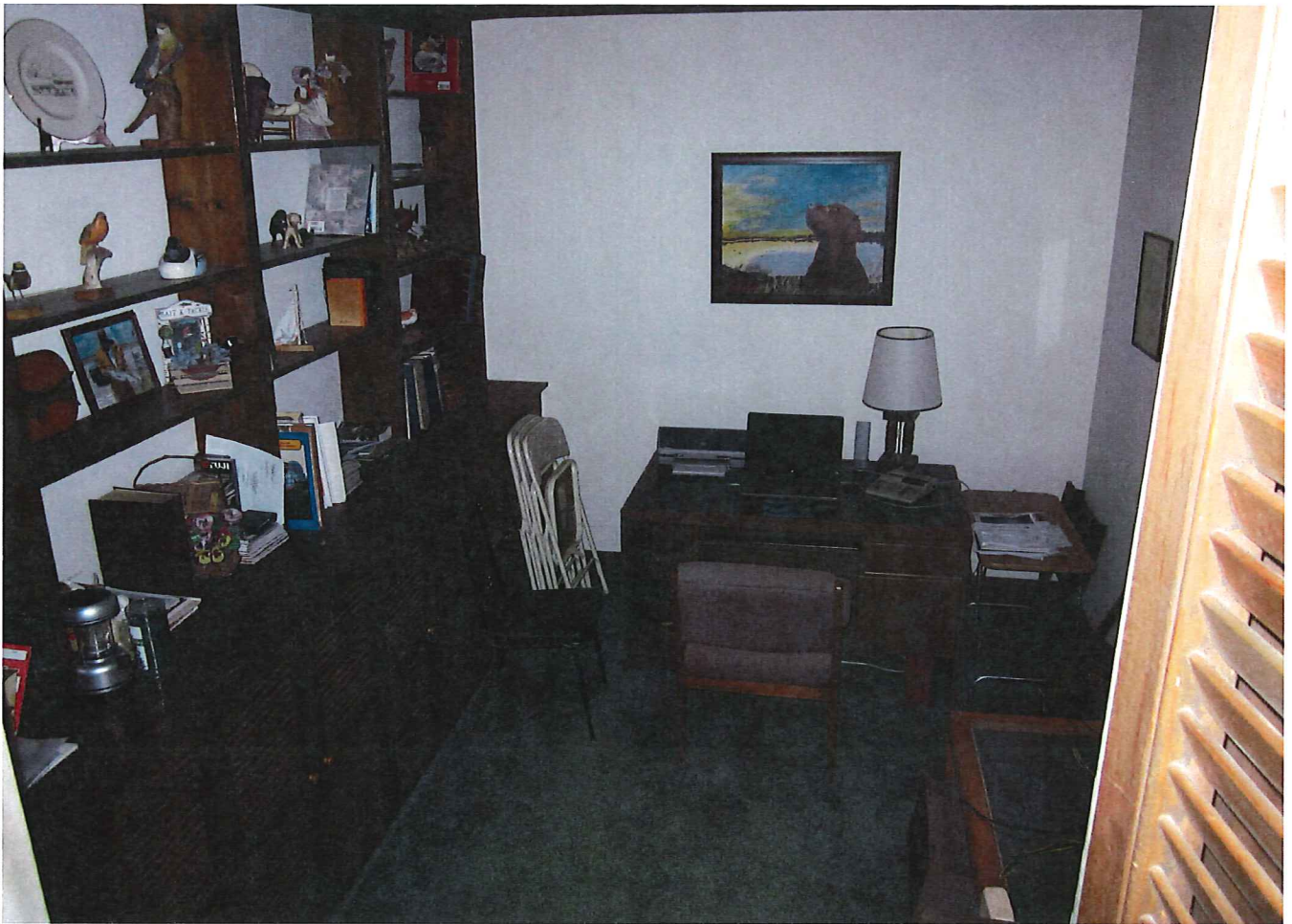














MR & MRS RUDOLPH
1662 R. BOOT RD.
WEST CHESTER PA 19380

October 12, 2013

East Goshen Township
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester, PA 19380

Attention: Mark Gordon

Dear Mr. Gordon,

This letter is a request to have our house which was built in 1837 be removed from the historical listing. It had many additions built on before we bought it in 1986. Below are listed the additions:

Enclosed breezeway to a 4 car garage
Apartment over the garage
Living Room
Center Hallway
Dining Room
Mud Room
Enclosed back porch
Office/library
Extended front porch on the driveway entrance

Regarding the historical history, we looked through many articles with the help of the librarian at the historical society and were able to locate the following records of purchase dates which started with the year 1860.

1860 ownership C. Roberts
1873 Pratt Roberts
1883 Charles Roberts
1912 A. Sydney Logan
1933 The property was divided-Eben W. Lathrop
Then Samuel B. Eckert named it Belleview Farms

October 13, 1956 it went to Sherriff Sale - 212 acres


The librarian at the historical society suggested we go to the Chester County Archives on Market Street to find data earlier than 1860 but the person at the desk was busy with the phones and was not able to help us find any further information.

Due to Eric's advanced multiple sclerosis, we are not able to manage much longer in this house which we have enjoyed for so many years.

We would appreciate if you would consider our request for the removal of this house from the historical listing.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Loretta Rudolph". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Loretta & Eric Rudolph

Memorandum

East Goshen Township
1580 Paoli Pike
West Chester, PA 19380

Voice: 610-692-7171
Fax: 610-692-8950
E-mail: mgordon@eastgoshen.org

Date: 11/4/2013
To: Historical Commission
From: Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer *mg*
Re: 1662 E. Boot Rd.

Dear Commissioners:

The owners of 1662 E. Boot Rd. (a Class II Historic Resource listed on the Township Historic Resource Inventory), Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph have forwarded correspondence to the Historic Commission for review and consideration during your meet on November 14, 2013. The Rudolph's would like to discuss removing their home from the Township Historic Resource Inventory.

The Township Zoning Ordinance outlines the procedure for removal of historic resources in section 240-38.4 which I have enclosed for your use.

The primary purpose for the meeting is to solicit comments and direction from the Commission regarding their request. The Rudolph's have also asked me to extend an invitation to the individual members of the Historic Commission to visit the property before the meeting on November 14th, at your convenience, between Saturday November 9th and Thursday November 14th.

Township of East Goshen, PA
Monday, November 4, 2013

Chapter 240. ZONING

Article VI. Historic Preservation

§ 240-38.4. Procedure for addition or removal from Historic Resources Inventory.

[Amended 10-17-2006 by Ord. No. 129-F-06]

- A. Any building, structure, site or object ("resource") may be proposed for addition to or removal from the Historic Resources Inventory, *Editor's Note: The Historic Resources Inventory is on file in the Township offices.* or for a change in classification (Class I or Class II) by:
- (1) The owner of such resource;
 - (2) The East Goshen Historical Commission ("Historical Commission");
 - (3) The Board of Supervisors; or
 - (4) Notice from the designating organization (Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission or National Register) that the historic resource has been added to its Historical Resources Inventory or no longer meets the criteria upon which its classification has been based.
- B. All proposals for addition to or removal from the Historic Resources Inventory, or for a change in classification (Class I or Class II), shall be referred to the Historical Commission. The Historical Commission shall hold a public meeting after a written notice has been sent to the owner(s) of the resource affected. The Historical Commission shall consider oral testimony and/or documentary evidence regarding the proposal at the public meeting, which may be continued from time to time. The Historical Commission shall present a written report to the Board of Supervisors within 30 days following the close of testimony from all public meetings on the question, stating its recommendation regarding the subject proposal, together with the grounds therefor. An historic resource shall be recommended for removal from Class I if it does not currently meet the definition as set forth in § 240-6 or is determined by the Historical Commission to no longer be of historical significance based on the evidence presented at a public meeting(s). An historic resource removed from the Class I Historic Resource Inventory shall remain on the Historic Resource Inventory as a Class II Historic Resource unless it does not currently meet any of the criteria set forth in § 240-38.3, in which case it shall be removed altogether from the Historic Resource Inventory.

- C. After receiving the recommendations of the Historical Commission, the Board of Supervisors may from time to time, by resolution, add or delete resources to or from the Historic Resources Inventory or change the classification of an historic resource. Written notice of the proposed action of the Board of Supervisors shall be given to the resource owner.

**East Goshen Township
Zoning Ordinance
§240-6 Definitions**

CLASS II HISTORIC RESOURCE

May be a building, structure, object or site which:

[Amended 1-21-2003 by Ord. No. 129-B-03; 10-17-2006 by Ord. No. 129-F-06]

- (1) Has significant character, interest or value as part of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the Township, county, region, commonwealth or nation, or is associated with the life of a person significant in the past;
- (2) Is associated with an event of importance to the history of the Township, county, region, commonwealth or nation;
- (3) Embodies distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style or engineering specimen;
- (4) Is the noteworthy work of a designer, architect, landscape architect or designer, or engineer whose work has significantly influenced the historical, architectural, economic, social, or cultural development of the Township, county, region, commonwealth or nation;
- (5) Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history; or
- (6) Exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, social or historical heritage of the community.



The Chester County Historic Preservation Network

P.O. Box 174, West Chester PA 19381 www.cchpn.org

October 1, 2013

RE: 2014 Membership in the Chester County Historic Preservation Network



The Chester County Historic Preservation Network (CCHPN) invites you to join CCHPN for the upcoming 2014 calendar year. The Network's mission is to promote historic preservation by bringing together historical commissions and committees, HARBS, organizations, and individuals of Chester County who work to preserve their neighborhoods and communities. Historic sites greatly enhance the quality of life for the residents of Chester County and attract many of our tourists to the area.

Municipality/Organization Membership Benefits (\$85.00/year)

Free passes (up to four individuals) for one CCHPN training session. These sessions qualify for continuing education credits for the Certified Local Government and other preservation programs.

Chester County Ledger newsletter, published since 1998, covers achievements, challenges, and technical preservation information important to our region.

Invitation to the popular Volunteer Recognition Celebration. Ours is the only county-wide award program that acknowledges the important work of local governments and organizations in protecting our heritage. Come to celebrate and network with your peers and local, county, and state officials.

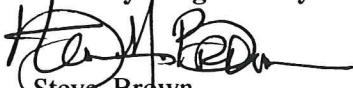
Timely training based on the needs expressed by our membership.

- In March 2014 Cory Kegerise, of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, and local commissions will present best practices for working effectively in your community along with updates on state and national preservation issues.
- CCHPN is researching providing a bus to transport members to the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions' bi-annual Forum held in Philadelphia in July 16 – 20, 2014.
- In conjunction with Historic Yellow Springs, CCHPN will present workshops at the annual Preservation Fair in October 2014.

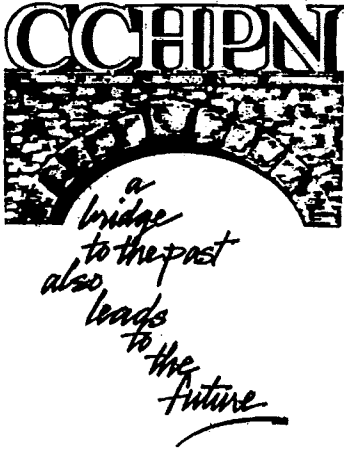
The advantage of the experience and knowledge of CCHPN and its many constituents. CCHPN, often working behind the scenes, provides guidance, training, and support through its Municipal Support Areas (MuSA's) and facilitates connections between municipalities to others that have undergone similar situations and challenges.

We hope you will join us or renew your membership for 2014. We rely primarily on our membership to fund our annual programs, newsletters and website. And as we have done for over 20 years, we will continue to provide programs and services to benefit your community and reflect your needs. The strength of CCHPN as one voice for historic preservation in Chester County is created by its members.

Thank you again for your consideration,


Steve Brown
President

The Chester County Historic Preservation Network (CCHPN) is an affiliation of local organizations and individuals dedicated to protecting and preserving Chester County's historic resources and landscapes through education, facilitation, and public and private advocacy.



The Chester County Historic Preservation Network
PO Box 174, West Chester PA 19381 www.cchpn.org

Municipality/Organization 2014 Membership Form

Yes! We would like to support The Chester County Historic Preservation Network in 2014.

Annual Dues (January – December) Municipal/Organization Membership: \$85.00

- ☐ **Invoice Me:** I prefer to be invoiced in the month of _____.
- ☐ **Pre-Payment:** Please make your check or money order payable to CCHPN.

Mail to: CCHPN, PO Box 174, West Chester, PA 19381

Contact Name: _____ Title: _____

Municipality/Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

If you have any questions, please call Bob Layman (CCHPN Treasurer) at 610-692-1930.

The Chester County Historic Preservation Network (CCHPN) , a 501(c)3 non-profit, is an affiliation of local organizations and individuals dedicated to protect, preserve, and promote Chester County's historic resources and landscapes through education, facilitation, and public and private advocacy.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
CCHPN Sponsored Events for 2013-2014

October 26, 2013 – The Annual Chester County Preservation Fair will be held at Historic Yellow Springs from 9am – 4 pm. Come hear our local experts discuss fundraising essentials, preservation ordinance updates, and recent research topics on historic architecture, national register nominations, the iron industry and the underground railroad. Enjoy vendor discussions of their craft.

March 8, 2014 – Our annual Spring Training and breakfast will focus on *Working Effectively Within Your Community*. Our Regional PHMC Representative Cory Kegerise will be on hand to discuss state and national updates and municipalities will share “best practice” ideas.

June 25, 2014 – Annual Volunteer Celebration

The party is for you! Come share with us your achievements and honor your peers. We are looking at the western portion of the County and would welcome your ideas.

July 16 – 20, 2014 – The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions is coming to Philadelphia for their Biennial National Commission Forum. Don’t miss a chance to take part in this comprehensive education and training event for Historical Commissions, HARBs and Committees! CCHPN will be sponsoring a training program for our member Commissions, HARBs and Committees.

The National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) was founded in 1983 to provide a forum for commissions to discuss mutual problems and to serve as a national voice representing the particular needs of commissions. NAPC provides technical support and manages an information network to help local commissions accomplish their preservation objectives. Their established education and training programs, including the biennial National Commission Forum conference and Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program (CAMP), have provided essential training to thousands of commission members and municipal staff. NAPC also serves as an advocate at federal, state and local levels of government to promote policies and programs that support preservation commission efforts. Their mission is: *To build strong local preservation programs through education, advocacy, and training.*”

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CHESTER COUNTY
1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

FYI

October 31, 2013

Dear Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that John and Jill Podhiny, the owners of 1444 Linden Ln., West Chester, PA 19380, have submitted a sketch plan for review and comment by the Township Planning Commission. The Podhiny's are seeking input from the Planning Commission on a possible request for a zoning variance to construct a one car garage within the side yard setback of their property.

Pursuant to Township policy, property owners and residents within 1000 feet of the subject property are notified of sketch plan submissions.

The meeting dates and times scheduled for the review and discussion of this application are outlined below and subject to change.

November 6, 2013 - Planning Commission meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 7:30 pm) **(Presentation of Sketch Plan)**

All meetings are held at the Township Building and are open to the public. The information is available for review at the Township building during normal business hours. Please give me a call at or email me at mgordon@eastgoshen.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Gordon
Township Zoning Officer

Cc: All Township Authorities, Boards and Commissions

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
CHESTER COUNTY
1580 PAOLI PIKE, WEST CHESTER, PA 19380-6199

October 28, 2013

Dear Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the owner of 1637 Manley Rd., West Chester, PA 19380, has submitted a Subdivision application and plans for review and approval by the Township. The owner, Patricia O'Neill, proposes a 2 lot subdivision of her property. The existing parcel has an area of approximately 5.84 acres and has an existing single family home and accessory structures. The sketch plan proposes the subdivision of one new 1.21 acre lot to the east of the existing home for a new residential single family use.

Pursuant to Township policy, property owners and residents within 1000 feet of the subject property are notified of sketch plan submissions.

The meeting dates and times scheduled for the review and discussion of this application are outlined below and subject to change.

November 6, 2013 - Planning Commission meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 7:30 pm) **(Presentation of Plan)**

November 13, 2013 - Conservancy Board meeting 7:00 pm.

December 4, 2013 - Planning Commission meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 7:30 pm)

December 17, 2013 – Board of Supervisors meeting (workshop at 7:00 pm, formal meeting @ 7:30 pm) **(Presentation of Plan)**

All meetings are held at the Township Building and are open to the public. The plans are available for review at the Township building during normal business hours. Please give me a call at or email me at mgordon@eastgoshen.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Gordon
Township Zoning Officer

Cc: All Township Authorities, Boards and Commissions