

NOVEMBER 28, 2011 – WALLACE TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES –  
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The meeting was opened by Co-Chairman, Stephanie Grunwell at 7:15 PM. Attending were Mark Kinkelaar, Isabelle Blank, Janice Keith, Jane Davidson, and Beverly Bock.

September minutes were approved, motion made by Stephanie, seconded by Isabelle. October minutes were approved as corrected, motion made by Mark, seconded by Janice.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Mark attended. Our budget was approved.

PLANNING COMMISSION - Stephanie will attend the December meeting.

ORAL HISTORY

Jane suggested that Bob Bock be interviewed. Background: pioneer in computer industry, Chairman of Board of Supervisors, and Planning Commission. She also suggested Lou Schneider. She suggested our residents in their 70's and 80's. We have many interesting interviews, a valuable history of our township.

PERMANENT COLLECTION – none

OLD BUSINESS

Approximately 96 Glenmoore village property files were delivered to the meeting. During the 1980's a federal Community Development Block Grant funded the research and creation of each property in the village. Karen Marshall, Chester County Heritage Preservation Coordinator, give permission to lend the collection to the township for scanning all of the research documents in order to create our own research collection. Jane will call Archivist Sandy Brannan about folders, sleeves, labels, hanging file folders, and archival paper. She will also contact Laurie and Clifford in the Chester County Archives about labels and glue. It was decided to schedule a scanning session on Thursday, December 29<sup>th</sup> at the township building. (Meeting was changed to December 28<sup>th</sup>.) Several of us will be involved. The property files will then be returned to the Chester County Preservation office.

On Monday, November 14, 2011, Jane hosted a briefing meeting with Jennifer and Mark on the status of editing the Wallace Township Historic Resource Atlas. Jane gave the project to Mark for additional computerized coordination.

We need to recheck on properties being 50 years or older. Bonnie, Isabelle, and Beverly have checked our current property files.

Walker Building Permit Application.- Robert McConaghey Mill, 1451 Little Conestoga Road. Jane drafted an E-mail in which several questions were listed concerning the lack of a cohesive overall rehabilitation plan and any decisions from the Chester County Health Department for a water and sewer permit. Chairman Jennifer forwarded the E-mail to Betty Randzin, Township Secretary, for an answer from the Codes Enforcement Officer. Jane will call Betty.

Wallace General Store -The Bonnie and Bill Radford's property at 1020 Little Conestoga Road. Jane reported that the Bureau for Historic Preservation denied a Determination of Eligibility for listing the property on the National Register of Historic Places. Bob Wise, of Wise Preservation Planning, has prepared an application to submit to the "Keeper of the Register" in Washington, DC. Jane has reviewed the application at the request of Mr. and Mrs. Radford. The property is included in the "Chester County Historic Preservation Places" and "Chester County Historic Homes and Places", and certified as a "Chester County Historic Resource". Jane has reviewed the application at the request of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Radford.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Forks of the Brandywine Presbyterian Church Newsletter - Dr. Mary Ann Zeiders asked Jane to write an extended paragraph on the European contact period for the area between the forks of the Brandywine Creek. It accompanied a map in the church newsletter that illustrated the location of the church between the branches of the creek. (Copy for our records.)

Two members of the Brown family contacted the Forks of the Brandywine Presbyterian Church about records for Alexander Brown who owned plantation number 39 in Springton Manor's 1788 survey map. The secretary suggested that they meet with Jane for a strategy session. Jane will prepare a report with several research documents for the December 2011 meeting.

The family is buried at Forks of the Brandywine Church. The Brown Family were one of the original 30 families settled in Wallace Township from 1725-1739. There is a Brown on a 1788 map – maybe a grandson. Jane mentioned James Logan and John Cadwalader papers from 1740-1760 are at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45. Motion made by Jane and seconded by Isabelle.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly L. Bock, Secretary

Please note Jane's new email address -- [janel Davidson@gmail.com](mailto:janel Davidson@gmail.com)