

MARCH 22, 2010 - WALLACE TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL MINUTES

The March meeting was opened by Chairman, Jennifer Harkins at 7:20PM. Present were Jane Davidson, Isabelle Blank, Bonnie Radford, and Beverly Bock.

There were no February minutes since the meeting was cancelled because of weather. The Minutes of the January 25, 2010 were approved by Isabelle and seconded by Bonnie. But later in the meeting we revised them because of confusion of the Reorganization information. Enclosed is a copy of the updated Members of the Commission for the records. Please note that Jane's name has to include her two middle initials. L.S.

CORRESPONDENCE

We had not received an official letter that our 2010 Budget had been approved. We asked Betty Randzin, Township Secretary, for a copy of the budget, which she presented to us that evening. Our total for the Historical Commission for 2010 is \$1,505.00.

We also received a copy for our records dated February 22, 2010 that Stephanie Grunwell had been reappointed and her term expires December 31, 2014. We agreed with Betty that the terms should extend for a total year, rather than be reappointed the month of their original appointment. If a member is fulfilling a resigned member, when that term is up, they need to be reappointed for the five year term.

Natural Trust for Preservation requesting money. No action.
National Trust Magazine, January/February
Preservation Pennsylvania Magazine, March/April
Chester County Ledger – February 2010
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission Shop Online book brochure
Chester County Historical Commission Events Calendar. Six events in April.
National Trust for Historic Preservation membership dues request for \$50.00 Bill given to Betty.
Chester County Historical Society request for our annual dues. We gave it to Betty to pay \$35.
Notice from Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission stating new procedures of PennDOT concerning historic resource preservation. Jane is going to discuss this with the Supervisors at the April 1st meeting.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

No update from March meeting. Jane will attend the April 1st meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No update

PERMANENT COLLECTION

Notice from Philadelphia Inquirer, dated 1/27/2010 of closure of Springton Road because of Springton Road Bridge replacement.

PERMANENT COLLECTION (cont.)

Article and photos of the Estates of Glendale Preserve, Wallace Township. These houses are being built on the former Girl Scout Camp. Daily Local News, dated March 21, 2010.

Letter of information of a book, Mines and Minerals of Chester County by Ron Sloto as the results of a geological survey. Our Commission will purchase the book for our archives, as an important addition to Wallace Township.

Copies of the Plan of Property, of Springton Manor Farm by Quinn & Associates, Inc .in 1981. The property was to be acquired by Chester County Park and Recreation Board. The Park was put on the official register in 1979.

ORAL HISTORY

None

OLD BUSINESS

2010 Budget approved.

Springton Road Bridge Date Stone – Where is it? Has it been maintained? Jennifer had written to PennDOT but received no reply. Jane will discuss this with the Supervisors.

Lamb Tavern Springhouse – Norm Glass gave us an estimate of \$2,100 for stabilizing the wall. The Supervisors requested two more estimates since it is over \$1,000. We will discuss this with the supervisors again. Time is of the essence.

Indiantown Schoolhouse – John Miller with Norm Glass, who has been hired as a consultant, have been inspecting the schoolhouse floor and suggesting how to proceed with repair. The plan is to have township employees do the work. We will be getting updates on the plans.

Article X – No further work has been done. Jennifer will email Janet and Elaine McGrew to try to get this tied up and changes finally completed.

NEW BUSINESS

Bonnie and Bill Radford have been in letter contact with PennDOT regarding their front porch. PennDOT insists the porch encroaches into the Right of Way on State Route 4016, Little Conestoga Road. A letter dated June 12, 2009, requested the structure be removed. The Wallace General Store and Post Office has been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The Radfords have a picture from the 1930's showing the porch. It is nothing they have added. PennDOT's request to demolish the porch will adversely affect the historic resource's orientation integrity, plus its architectural integrity. As a result, the historic resource may no longer meet the criteria for listing on the National Register. Therefore, it will be PennDOT's liability to cause its potential ineligibility.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15. Motion made by Bonnie, seconded by Jennifer.

Respectfully submitted, Beverly L. Bock, Secretary