

WALLACE TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES – May 29, 2012
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The meeting was opened by Chairman, Stephanie Grunwell at 7:25 PM after receiving an update on the Notecard Project/Order from Township Manager Betty Randzin (see old business). Attending the May meeting were Stephanie Grunwell, Mark Kinkelaar, Isabelle Blank, Beverly Bock, Jennifer Harkins, Sandy Brannan

March minutes were approved with a minor correction – the final version to be sent to Sandy for file. April's minutes were approved with corrections to be made by Stephanie and final sent to Sandy for file.

CORRESPONDENCE: Preservation PA – Preservation Combination on July 15 – 19, 2012 Lancaster Marriott. Preservation PA Newsletter, Preservation Magazine, Chester County Historical Society – New Membership Card, Town Tours and Village Walks Brochure 6/14 – 9/6/2012.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: April 5th meeting – Isabelle attended and provided HC report. Nothing was discussed for the Historical Commission. 2 State Troopers attended due to some security concerns in community. Stephanie will attend the June 7, 2012 meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No Report

ORAL HISTORY: Attempting to coordinate an interview with Robert Bock. No other update/report.

PERMANENT COLLECTION: John and Glenna Todd donated documents (copies) from their family history for our files at the time of their visit.

Sandy reported that the files she has been updating look great. Linda Callendar contacted Sandy – she used to live in the village and Sandy wondered if she could copy photos of Linda's Mom and Aunt to Linda. Approved. Sandy also shared stories, an article and photos of her father, Harold Snyder, who had a part in building the Golden Gate Bridge. Her dad was a welder with McClintic-Marshall Co. around 1933. Article in Pottstown Mercury – “Golden Gate Bridge has Roots in Pottstown” May 7, 2012 by Michael T. Snyder. Sandy is not donating the photos at this time.

There are photos for sale on Ebay of the house on Indian Run Rd. where an actress, Evelyn Hoey, was killed. Discussion of whether or not to purchase. Stephanie suggested seeing if the owner would be willing to donate vs. purchasing.

OLD BUSINESS: Notecard update – Betty suggested 65lb paper vs. 100lb so it can be folded. Cards will be ready in time for community day, Isabelle and Bev will help package. Tie with packages of 8 cards – 2 of each print – with ribbon and bag. Jen will pick up ribbon and drop off

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to Betty. Discussion of cost – charge \$14.99 per package. Prefer ivory envelopes since card stock is ivory.

Community Day – 6/2, 4-8pm. Discussed coverage at Historical Commission's table and transporting the HC's items to the park.

The Historical Commission still needs a letter from the Board of Supervisors to Rouse Chamberlain regarding Brandywine Hill and the management of the Historic Resources.

The Historical Commission would like Jane to do a written report on the Todd visit to attach with the minutes.

Jane submitted the following report dealing with Old Business:

1. John and Glenna Todd visit. The day was successful with several HC members and township archivist contributing to and participating in the day. John lent more documents on his family to be photocopied (see perm. collection). Thanks to all.
2. Members of the Brown Family will be calling in June to schedule a tour.
3. Donor Plaque. It was decided to delay the ceremony for the donor plaque until next year and do it at the same time as the National Register Village signage celebration. A little over 60 people gave financial donations towards professional services to prepare the National Register application. That is a significant number for the size of Glenmoore. People do care about the heritage in Wallace Township.
4. Glenmoore Village Committee. The committee is meeting Saturday June 3 to discuss the signage for the village. Although we are technically not in the Schuylkill Heritage Corridor, we are in the Chester County Iron and Steel Heritage Region. I'm (Jane) taking the signage manual that has been adopted by the State and Federal governments for the Heritage Corridor which has been approved for us to use. These roadside village entrance signs are different than the bronze National Register plaque.
5. CCHPN Volunteer Recognition Celebration. This year's celebration on June 20th will be held next door in West Nantmeal Township. Please attend.
6. Atlas Project – the last work session was a productive evening.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing new from Township.

Jane submitted an update on the Springton Manor State Historical Marker. The PHMC removed the marker located at the intersection of Springton and Highspire Roads for refurbishing and installed it recently. It looks beautiful. This is the second time that it has been renewed. This action needs to be reported to the Board of Supervisors at their next meeting.

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Next Work Session day/time – June 18, 2012 at 7pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm. Next meeting, June 25, 2012 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Harkins, Secretary