

## **WALLACE TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES – July 23, 2012 Final**

The meeting was opened by Chairman, Stephanie Grunwell at 7:13 PM Attending: Stephanie Grunwell, Mark Kinkelaar, Isabelle Blank, Jane Davidson, Bonnie Radford, Janice Keith, Jennifer Harkins, Sandy Brannan

June minutes were approved with a minor correction – Janice will send the final version to Jen to be sent to Sandy for file.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** National Trust for Historic Preservation – request for money. Check with Betty to be sure our membership was submitted for this year. Conservation Center for Art & Historic artifacts. Save PA's past – training programs.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:** Bonnie attended July meeting- update copied from email as follows: *Note cards are for sale at \$15 per set of 8, proceeds to go the school house renovation project. There should be note cards now at the township bldg. to sell. Shirley O'Brien needs to receive a special invitation to the National Register ceremony since she is the one that came up with the idea to make and sell calendars for the project.* Next meeting 8/3 – Jane to attend.

**PLANNING COMMISSION: Wallace Township Comprehensive Plan Survey Questions** were distributed to members for our review. The following are the changes that the Historical Commission voted to implement (Stephanie made the motion, Jen seconded, All in Favor): **Page 1** – OK, **Page 2** - #2, bullet 2 – Historic Character to be changed to Historic Ambiance, **Page 3** – Chart 1 – Change to “Preserve historic buildings, structures, & sites”. Chart 2 – Add “Heritage Walking Tours”, **Page 4** – Chart 1 – Add “Community Heritage Education/Awareness Programs”. Chart 2 – Add “Historic Buildings, Structures, & Sites”, **Page 5** – 1<sup>st</sup> Chart – 2<sup>nd</sup> box – Change to “Protection of Historic Buildings, Structures, & Sites”. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chart – Add “Heritage Awareness/Education”. **Page 6** – Chart 1 – Add “Heritage Awareness/Education”. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chart – Add “Rural Historic Park (i.e. Springton Manor Farm)”. **Page 7** - OK

**ORAL HISTORY:** The Oral History for Robert Bock is complete. Beverly is typing it up. Rob Lukens and Ellen Enslow with the Chester County Historical Society are visiting Jane on 8/9/2012 to lay-out a format for an Oral History.

**PERMANENT COLLECTION:** Brown Family – made a 2<sup>nd</sup> visit to Wallace last week and brought additional documents on family including Andrew Brown's Will dated 1745 and witnessed by Robert and Janet McConaghey (owner of Springton Manor Farm)

**OLD BUSINESS:** 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 at a previous meeting. It was decided that Mark would purchase photo for our archives and the cost would be reimbursed out of the Commission's budget.

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**DVRPC – The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission** – All email Correspondence between 6/25 – 6/27/2012 and a Copy of the Letter prepared by Jane and Stephanie to the DVRPC regarding the Historical Commissions support for the recommended change in the DVRPC FY2013 TIP for PA will be included in the WTHC meeting minute archives (with the July 23, 2012 minutes).

Jane to talk to John Miller about signs for Village. Jane gave him the signage manual – they are planned for both ends of Creek and Fairview Rds.

May 2013 plans for Village signs dedication, as well as the National Park Svc. – Bronze sign for Schoolhouse. More coming in future meetings on this and continued revitalization on School

Work Session – Tasks on Tasks List are complete but need photo of one home at 1871 Creek Rd. Next Session 8/20 – Review Sandy’s list and possible Class IV resources – archeology possibility. Sandy sent out user’s guide to index card system – reviewed at Work Session.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Conditional Use Hearing for Fairview Presbyterian Church on 8/2/2012 at 6:30. Application requests using part of the Church Property/Building as a school (extension of Windsor in Eagle). No construction is proposed. Jen made a motion and Isabelle seconded – all in favor of Jane reporting and testifying on behalf of the Historical Commission.

Jane attended the meeting to reinstate “Friends of Springton Manor Farm”. Mission Statement and Board of Directors. Next meeting 8/7/2012 at 6:30.

In working on WTHC Budget for 2013 – Cost for Bronze Plaque for Schoolhouse and including the cost for all WTHC members to attend the Chester County Historic Preservation Network Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

Sandy is working on files from 2000 – present. Permanent Collection – nothing archival or valuable. Found Mylar envelopes for archival purposes at \$108.99 for 6 packages. Sandy is hosting East Coventry regarding organizing municipal files on 8/8/2012.

Architectural Inventory Forms 1979-1982 – about 104 resources to be copied by County at about \$200. Mark made motion to approve, Bonnie 2<sup>nd</sup>, Approved.

Next Work Session day/time – August 20, 2012 at 7pm; Next Meeting, August 27, 2012 at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Harkins, Secretary

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From: Jane Davidson (janelsdavidson@gmail.com)  
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Date: Mon, June 25, 2012 3:12:48 PM  
Subject: TONIGHT'S HC MEETING

Good afternoon, Stephanie, Jennifer and Mark,

Please find listed below three items for which I have reports to be given at tonight's meeting.

. Glenmoore National Register Historic District donor plaque and signage (National Register sign and village street signs). Also, preliminary discussion for 2013 unveiling and dedication.

. Indiantown School project.

. DVRPC FY2013 TIP FOR PA. The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission is one of the final steps to annually approve Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) projects. The draft that was released on June 15, 2012, included a line item to update a bridge project description to indicate whether a bridge may be rehabilitated or replaced.

I am bringing a letter draft to the meeting for the Historical Commission to support and adopt the proposed change. I have already talked to Betty since the comments need to be filed with DVRPC by this Thursday, June 28th. Tomorrow the adopted letter will be sent to Betty under the chairman's signature. In turn, she will forward the letter to the Board of supervisors for approval before it is sent to DVRPC ahead of Thursday's deadline.

See you in a few hours.

Always a friend,

Jane

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GLENMOORE, PA 19343  
610-942-2880

25 June 2012

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission  
Public Affairs Office  
190 North Independence Mall West, 8<sup>th</sup> floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19106

RE: Public Comment for Board meeting  
28 June 2012  
DVRPC FY2013 TIP for PA

Gentlemen:

The Wallace Township Historical Commission, in existence by municipal Ordinance since 1975, voted by unanimous decision this evening to support and endorse the following recommended change in the DVRPC FY2013 TIP for PA draft on proposed bridge projects on the Project Descriptions page that will be addressed during the DVRPC Board's meeting on Thursday, June 28, 2012.

That the Board votes in favor to "Update description of projects that are still in PE to indicate that structure may be rehabilitated or replaced. Final alternative is not known until NEPA clearance occurs and FHWA has requested this edit."

The proposed change will enable each proposed bridge project to be the subject of a complete cultural and environmental evaluation in accordance with Federal laws and regulations.

Sincerely yours,

Ms. Stephanie Grunwell, Chairman  
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**S** **ect:** DVRPC LETTER

Good morning, Betty,

The Wallace Township Historical Commission voted unanimously to approve DVRPC's suggested changes for reviewing bridge projects which will be addressed at the DVRPC's Board meeting on Thursday. Stephanie as HC chairman signed the letter and left it at the office for you to scan and forward to the Board of Supervisors today for their approval.

After the Supervisors approval, send the letter via E-mail to: public , by noon tomorrow, Wednesday, June 27th not Thursday. If you have trouble sending it, go to DVRPC's web site home page and click on "online commenting now available for June 28, 2012 DVRPC Board actions." Click on the E-mail address which will access you automatically to the public commenting portal.

Feel free to call me if you or any of the Supervisors have any questions.

Janet, as liaison to the township Planning Commission, please see that the Planning Commission receives a copy of the letter for their records.

Always a friend,

Jane



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**From:** Jane Davidson (janelsdavidson@gmail.com)

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**Subject:** DVRPC FY2013 TIP for PA CLARIFICATION

Good morning, Betty,

The following clarification is in response to the Board of Supervisors' questions.

1. PennDot in recent years has had several historic bridge projects in District #6, specifically Montgomery, Bucks and Chester Counties, including our bridges on Park Lane (before your time) and Springton Road. PennDot focused on the engineering assessment and not the complete cultural and environmental evaluations. Thus the foundation was laid to update the administration procedure.
2. DVRPC is in the federal transportation communication loop and approval chain and as such included it in their FY 2013 TIP for PA. We need to support their proposed change.
3. The update is NOT a change in laws, regulations, or protocol; but, simply an administrative update to be in compliance with the full federal laws, e.g. Section 110, NEPA.
4. As a member of the President's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, I personally worked with Joe Cheney, Assistant Secretary of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration's legal counsel on adjusting transportation related compliance issues. I continue to provide professional counsel.

Finally, I am meeting with DVRPC and PennDot, District #6, staff this Friday afternoon for two transportation issues in Chester County and can certainly bring your concerns to the table. Feel free to call me, 610-942-3616, not only for this situation but any relative subject where I may be able to assist the township.

Have a pleasant summer, I remain your humble servant,

Always a friend,

Jane L. S. Davidson

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