

**West Goshen Township
Historical Commission Meeting
1025 Paoli Pike**

**Minutes
Thursday, January 24, 2019**

Commission Members:

Present: Michael Pillagalli, Elizabeth Dean, Ed Tiernan, Kent Smith, Tom Walsh, Kevin Pistiner and Nancy McCabe

Others Present: Ken Lehr, Hugh and Shelagh Purnell, Doug White, Keith Smith, and Sally Yoder

Roll Call of members present:

Secretary, Nancy McCabe, recorded all meeting attendees.

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Michael Pillagalli acting as Chair until Kevin Pistiner arrived

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Led by Vice Chairman, Michael Pillagalli

Reading of minutes of last meeting:

Elizabeth Dean moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting, which was seconded by Kent Smith. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Nothing new.

Old Business:

Ken Lehr indicated that the planned date of the Gettysburg bus trip conflicted with Chester County Day, so he proposed Sunday, October 13th. It would be a joint venture with Parks & Rec. Ken said he would get pricing and times to be discussed at the next meeting.

New Business:

Tom Walsh mentioned that the Town Tours and Village Walks would kick off on June 13th at 5:30 pm in West Chester at the historic Holy Trinity Church. The West Chester Theme: Turk's Head Tavern to the County Seat. Volunteers are needed.

Tom Walsh also proposed that the Commission join the CLG, Certified Local Government Program, which is in partnership between municipal governments, the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office, and the National Park Service that promotes and supports holistic historic preservation programs and policies in Pennsylvania municipalities and provides participating communities with technical

assistance and grant programs. Possibly, someone could come to explain it more fully to us. Bonnie was to contact Cory Kegerise to see if he could come to our next meeting. Elizabeth Dean moved to pursue admission to CLG. It was seconded by Tom Walsh. The motion was approved.

There was discussion of being able to preserve some items from the Jerrehian Estate, such as hinges and misc. hardware, etc., 2 stone pillars. Bonnie to contact Rick Craig to see if this might be possible.

There was discussion concerning the Project Review Form that developers are to fill out and submit. Now that we are a Commission we should be made aware of and be given a copy of this form.

Kevin Pistiner proposed there be no meeting in August. It was agreed that we would re-evaluate in June. Because of the holidays in November and December, the meetings will be held the third Thursday instead of the fourth Thursday of those months.

Goals:

1. A marker
2. Keith Smith proposed inviting other Commissions to our meetings to familiarize ourselves with what other commissions have accomplished and what their future plans may be. Bonnie Dean suggested that someone come to our meeting to lecture on forms and archiving of historic properties.
3. Perhaps instead of a town tour we could have a lecture instead or perhaps we could incorporate a cemetery tour depending on what Karen's theme might be.
4. Three lectures. Kent Smith volunteered to give a power point lecture regarding the Hoopes Brothers in September. Another possible lecture: the Brandywine Battlefield, have the past curator or new present curator give a lecture. Another possibility might be Chuck Ullmann re the Sanderson Museum.
5. Cemetery Tour May 30th at Oaklands Cemetery. Early evening. Pick a section of the cemetery. Can we get a color guard? Bugler? Hugh to check out. Police color guard if not military.

Ordinance:

County is still looking at it. Minor word changes. There is a new solicitor: Christine Camp.

Township needs to vote on it possibly in early March.

The Comprehensive Plan should be voted on in April or May.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy McCabe

Secretary