

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

**Minutes
Thursday, May 24, 2018**

Commission Members:

Present: Nancy McCabe, Kevin Pistiner, Kent Smith, Richard Davis, Elizabeth Dean, Shelagh Purnell, Edward Tiernan, Thomas Walsh

Others Present: Ken Lehr (Township Liaison), Hugh Purnell (Township Supervisor), Dr. Douglas White

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Nancy McCabe.

Roll call of members present

Secretary, Kevin Pistiner, recorded all meeting attendees.

Reading of minutes of last meeting

Dean motioned a vote, which was second by Walsh, to approve the meeting minutes of April 26, 2018. Commission members unanimously approved the meeting minutes.

Officers reports

Treasurer

Kent Smith mentioned that he has no good or bad news to report.

Committee reports

Historic Marker Committee

Keith Smith and Kent Smith have composed a price list of the proposed historic marker. The cost to manufacture a historic marker ranges from \$1,100 to \$4,000 depending on the size and materials. Once a marker design is finalized, it will be used as a template for all future markers. A price list, proposed marker logo, and marker examples have been submitted for review, which can be found in the minute's appendix.

A possible historic marker location is at the Matlack House. A marker could also be installed at the Township Building to display the history of the Township.

Agenda

Historic Photograph Exhibit

Lehr mentioned that he will follow up with Casey LaLonde (Township Manager) to determine final placement of the photographs.

Historic Preservation Ordinance

Hugh Purnell mentioned that the Commission should begin to compose a historic preservation ordinance for the Township. Walsh mentioned that we could use examples from surrounding townships to compose our own ordinance. Tiernan mentioned that we already began to write an ordinance several years ago. That document should be finalized and submitted to the Township Supervisors for approval.

Facebook Page / Website

Pistiner mentioned that we currently have 143 likes on the page, which is a significant number within a short period of time. All of the Commission related events have been posted to the Page for publicity. McCabe mentioned that we could post puzzles on the Page related to the Township's history. This could also be in the Township newsletter.

Lehr mentioned that the deadline for the summer issue of the Township newsletter is June 28, 2018. We could include an interesting fact about the township and a note for residents to visit the Commission's Facebook Page.

Deric Davis should be contacted for any changes and additions to the Historical Commission's portion of the Township website.

Township Comprehensive Plan

White mentioned that the Township received 1,234 responses for the comprehensive plan survey. 77% of respondents listed historic preservation as a primary township concern. 92% of respondents listed environmental preservation as a primary concern.

CCHPN Annual Dinner

McCabe mentioned that the deadline to RSVP is approaching. The cost to attend the event is \$25 per person, which will be paid by the Township. McCabe, Dean, Pistiner, Hugh Purnell, and Shelagh Purnell have stated that they are attending the event as representatives of the Commission.

Museum of the American Revolution Bus Trip

Lehr mentioned that the July 21, 2018 bus trip has 16 people signed up. The cost to attend the bus trip is \$49 per person.

Memorial Day Cemetery Tour

Walsh mentioned that the first annual Memorial Day cemetery tour will occur at 6:00 PM on May 30, 2018 at the Green Mount Cemetery. The event has been advertised on several history-based websites, the Commission's Facebook page, and through a Township email. The event will begin with opening remarks by Chairman McCabe and Supervisor Hugh Purnell. Walsh will give a lecture on the history of Memorial Day and the cemetery. This will be followed by a walk through the cemetery to learn about several memorials, include Charlie King.

Goshen Country Fair

McCabe mentioned that the cost for a booth at the fair is \$250 for the week. Surrounding townships and West Chester Borough could share the cost and space. Keith Smith mentioned that we could hand out customized wooden coins of the Township, flags, and Township history material.

Pistiner motioned a vote, second by Davis, that the Commission will purchase a booth at the Goshen Country Fair for \$250. Surrounding communities, including East Goshen, West Chester, Westtown, West Whiteland, and East Bradford will be contacted to offer the option to share the cost and booth space at the fair. Commission members unanimously approved the purchase.

Lecture Series

Dean mentioned that she will contact historian Bruce Mowday and Shawn Mohr to ask if they would give lectures at the Township Building. Davis mentioned that he will contact Chris Reardon to ask if he would give a lecture. Other speakers could be Michael Harris on the Battle of the Clouds, and local historians Thomas Walsh and Michael Pilligalli. A lecture series schedule will be organized by Dean.

Announcements

Chester County Town Tours and Village Walks

Walsh mentioned that the first tour of the season will begin in West Chester at the Chester County Historical Society. The tour will begin at 5:30 PM on Thursday, June 14, 2018. Susan Johnson of CCHS needs volunteers to assist with registration of attendees. McCabe and Dean stated they would volunteer for the program. Kevin Pistiner and Thomas Walsh will be tour guides during the event.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Kent Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. Davis second the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Pistiner
Secretary

Appendix

Historical Markers

SOUTHWELL COMPANY

www.southwellco.com

San Antonio, Texas

LAKE SHORE INDUSTRIES

www.lsisigns.com

Erie, Pennsylvania

FRANKLIN BRONZE PLAQUES

www.franklinbronzeplaques.com

Franklin, Pennsylvania

Franklin Pricing - Rectangular Plaques Standard Sizes effective 3-12-2018

| Size | Max letters | Bronze | Alum |
|---------|-------------|------------|------------|
| 24 x 20 | 720 | \$1,155.00 | \$1,039.00 |
| 28 x 18 | 758 | \$1,224.00 | \$1,102.00 |
| 28 x 20 | 840 | \$1,361.00 | \$1,225.00 |
| 36 x 20 | 1080 | \$1,800.00 | \$1,620.00 |
| 36 x 24 | 1296 | \$2,169.00 | \$1,952.00 |
| 36 x 30 | | \$2,732.00 | \$2,459.00 |

ERIE LANDMARK

www.erialandmark.com

Columbia, Pennsylvania

Erie Landmark -Roadside markers Pricing - Single Sided

| Size | Bronze | Alum |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| 18x18 | \$1,454.00 | \$1,163.00 |
| 18x24 | \$1,931.00 | \$1,546.00 |
| 18x30 | \$2,260.00 | \$1,807.00 |
| 24x24 | \$2,357.00 | \$1,886.00 |
| 36x24 | \$3,472.00 | \$2,777.00 |
| 36x36 | \$4,953.00 | \$3,962.00 |
| 6-7 ft Gal Steel Pole | | \$256.00 |
| 10ft Gal Steel Pole | | \$494.00 |

Appendix



West Goshen Township Logo



Historic Marker Examples