

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

**Minutes  
Thursday, December 27, 2018**

**Commission Members:**

Present: Nancy McCabe, Michael Pillagalli, Kent Smith, Kevin Pistiner, Richard Davis, Elizabeth Dean (by proxy), Shelagh Purnell, Thomas Walsh

Others Present: Hugh Purnell (Township Supervisor), Keith Smith (Resident), Doug White (Resident)

**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.

**The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

Led by Chairman Nancy McCabe

**Reading of minutes of last meeting**

Walsh motioned a vote, which was second by Smith, to approve the meeting minutes of November 29, 2018. Commission members unanimously approved the meeting minutes.

**Officers reports**

Treasurer, Kent Smith, presented the 2018 year-end expense report. Please see the Appendix for the report.

**Committee reports**

No news to report.

**Agenda**

**Historic Preservation Ordinance**

Walsh motioned a vote, which was second by Pilligalli to send the ordinance draft to the Township Solicitor for review. Once reviewed by the solicitor, the ordinance draft will return to the Historical Commission for review. If no changes are needed, the ordinance will be sent to the Township Supervisors for approval. Commission members unanimously approved the motion.

**Jerrehian Estate Housing Development Historic Structures**

McCabe will contact Rick Craig, Township Engineer, to see if we can salvage any parts from the historic structures. The two primary objectives are a wooden barn and a log cabin.

#### Election for Historical Commission Leadership

Walsh motioned a vote, which was second by Pilligalli to close the nomination period with the following nominations: Chair - Kevin Pistiner, Vice Chair - Michael Pilligalli, Treasurer - Kent Smith, Secretary - Nancy McCabe. Commission members unanimously approved the motion to close the nomination period. Commission members unanimously voted yes for the above-mentioned candidates.

#### Historic Photographs of West Goshen

Keith Smith mentioned that we can post the photos on the Facebook page. The photos can also be displayed in the Township Building on a rotational basis. We need to include a caption on the photos describing the history of each property.

#### Historic Markers

A Boy Scout emailed the Commission after reading our historic marker article in the township newsletter. He inquired about assisting with the project. We discussed that the Boy Scout could compile a list of historic properties within the Township that deserve to receive a historic marker. Pistiner will offer this option to the Boy Scout.

#### Township Newsletter

The next edition of the newsletter could include an article about the history of mushroom farms in West Goshen. We will also discuss 2019 Chester County Day, which will include West Goshen.

### **Announcements**

#### 2019 Chester County Day

The historic property tour will cover the southeast quadrant, which includes West Goshen Township.

#### CCHPN Leadership Luncheon – January 19, 2019

A free event for historical commission leaders. Kevin Pistiner will attend representing West Goshen. Thomas Walsh will attend representing West Chester.

#### Jerrehian Estate Housing Development

Doug White mentioned that the development wishes to install a large entrance sign on Phoenixville Pike. The Planning Commission welcomes people's comments on the size and design of the entrance sign.

#### Nancy McCabe – First Chairperson

The West Goshen Historical Commission would like to thank Nancy McCabe for all of her hard work as the first chairperson of the commission. Her passion and devotion towards historic preservation, education, and community building helped to transform the West Goshen Historical Committee into a Historical Commission. We look forward to having Nancy continue her involvement with the organization as the secretary of the commission.

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**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Shelagh Purnell moved to adjourn the meeting. Davis second the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Pistiner  
Secretary