

Willistown Township Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes
February 5th, 2019

1. Call to Order:

Terry called the February meeting of the Willistown Historical Commission to order at 7:00pm.

WHC:

Terry Kile, Presiding
Alicia Marziani, Recording Secretary
Warren Claytor
Marie Quinn Johnson
Joseph Kerecman (Absent)

Jeannette Lindvig
Kirk Lindvig
Bart Van Valkenburg
Rich Mosback

Presenting:

David Lingore, Tretheway Builders
Bob Kraut, Owner- 47 Green Lane
TR Moser, Moser Construction

2. 47 Green Lane (54-6-30.1)

David Lingore, builder, and Bob Kraut, property owner, were present this evening to talk about the proposed addition at 47 Green La. The plan, as proposed, show an L shaped addition to the front of the building. The historical part of this building is on the other side of the structure from the proposed addition. As is, the applicant will need to apply for a variance from the Zoning Hearing Board.

After reviewing the plans, the commission determined the plan, as is, does not meet our administrative requirements. Therefore, the plan will have to be presented at a future meeting, once these changes have been made.

The application did not comply with the Twp Code for the following items:

Adversely impact on principal façade, set back requirement of a minimum of 10% and lack of Registered PA Architect.

3. 730 Monument Road (54-2-41)

TR Moser attended this evenings meeting regarding the property at 730 Monument Road. The proposed plans in front of the commission this evening show the property at 730 Monument Rd. They are proposing a 3 lot subdivision. Two of those lots will contain the historic resources while the third lot will be a large section of acreages for later development.

Mr. Moser informed the commission that he is seeking a Conditional Use from this subdivision. As part of the Conditional Use process, the commission would like the applicant to put money into escrow for the historic barn, in case something were to happen during the process. The HC now can recommend

approval of this project provided that the following are included in the Conditional Use:

- The applicant shall make every effort to protect the Historical Resources, especially the Barn during all construction activities.
- That an escrow be set up to detail all procedures for complete restoration of any damage caused to the Resources, and especially the barn resource during construction activities.
- That the applicant return to the Commission when they determine what function the barn will be used for and provide restoration documents for approvals for such restoration.

4. Willistown United Methodist Church- 106 Review

The plans in front of the commission this evening are for the installation of a cell tower at the Willistown United Methodist Church.

After reviewing the plans, the commission approves the plans.

5. Historical Resource Candidates

a. 40 and 45 Cobblestone Dr

The township will be advertising the amendment to the Historical Ordinance to place 40 and 45 Cobblestone Dr onto the historic resource list.

b. 810/820/826 Providence Rd, Radnor Hunt

The property is still being researched. There are four (4) easements on this property that we are aware of. So far, we have found two (2) of them. The Commission also talked about creating a Historic District for this area that includes Radnor Hunt and White Manor.

c. 8085 Goshen Rd, Sinkler Property

The property is still being researched, no updated.

6. Architectural Salvage and Reuse

This topic is tabled until next meeting.

7. Historical Stone Fences

The commission is proposing that the township code be amended to add the protection of historic stone fences and walls as well as historic barns. This will be presented to the Planning Commission.

8. CCHPN Leadership Luncheon- January 19th

Terry informed the commission of what was discussed at the CCHPN 2nd annual Leadership Luncheon held on January 19th at the West Whiteland Township Building.

9. CCHPN Spring Workshop- March 23rd

Terry informed the commission of the CCHPN Spring Workshop that will be held on March 23rd at the Brandywine Conservancy. This years theme is “Sharing Memories: Save It, Find It, Use It.” Commissioners who wish to go will inform Terry.

10. Greentree Lecture

Terry talked on the Greentree Lecture that was presented by Bart Van Valkenburg. Terry informed the commission that he is working with Bart to hold a lecture in conjunction with the commission. More information to come.

11. Certified Local Government Program

Terry asked the commissions to review the Certified Local Government document. The commission is considering joining this program. This topic was tabled.

12. Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Plan

This topic was tabled.

13. Commission Membership

The Commission is currently at capacity. The two vacancy were filled by Bart Van Valkenburg and Rich Mosback.

14. Next Meeting

Terry informed the Commission that our next meeting will be March 5th at 7pm.

15. Citizens Comments

No citizen's comments.

16. Adjournment

All business having been discussed. Meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

Next Scheduled Meeting:
March 5th 2019 at 7pm

Respectfully submitted –
Alicia Rose Marziani, Recording Secretary

cc:
Commission Members
Dave Burman
Theresa Simmons
Ed Tiernan
Dan Malloy