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EASTTOWN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION (ETHC)
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2022, 7:00 PM

ETHC members in attendance: Joyce DeYoung, Richard Di Stefano, Stacey Rohrbeck, Anna Sicalides; and Palmer Dalesandro (via zoom)

Also attending: Alex Bosco – Board of Supervisor (BOS) Liaison; Eugene Briggs – Township Staff Liaison

- **Meeting was called to order.**
- **June 8, 2022 minutes were approved.**
- **Consideration of Revised Draft Historical Commission Omnibus Amendments**
Tom Comitta of THOMAS COMMITTA ASSOCIATES, INC. // Town Planners & Landscape Architects joined us on our call as he provided input to the aforementioned amendments. Discussion between Tom and the members of the ETHC took place. Tom committed to providing an updated document to the BOS by Wednesday, July 20 and to the ETHC by July 19. He will be meeting with Anna prior to that date to discuss structures pre-1900.
- **Discussion on Status of Historical Commission 2022 Projects**
 - Training – For August meeting we should be prepared to discuss and provide feedback on chapters 388-447, noting that 445 is our ETHC ordinance.
 - Articles – Michelle Bradley’s draft is completed and was approved by Anna and Stacey. During this meeting, Stacey sent the article to Gene via email. Next article will be authored by Joyce / topic is Devon Inn.
 - Mapping Update – Joyce had completed her assignments prior to our June meeting. Richard is partially completed as are Palmer and Kathleen, who believe they will be done in about 2 weeks. Stacey and Anna to get together. Anna will divide the homes of the Village of Berwyn (VB) amongst all committee members.
 - Certified Local Government / Zoning – Nothing to report
 - Historic Home Research – Palmer will complete the work on this by end of August

- **Other Business**
 - Liaison Reports
 - Board of Supervisors – Palmer: Historical Commission Ordinance came up for review. Supervisors will finalize by 7/27, so we need to be prepared prior to that date. Palmer also reported on 23 Knox. Supervisors recommended this be reviewed by Planning Commission. Also approved next phase of township building. Gene added that he met with the architect and would like from the ETHC a list of architectural features we would want to retain. Palmer volunteered to pull together this list and the attending ETHC members suggested that Kathleen also be a part of this.
 - Planning Commission – Anna read the minutes provided by Kathleen who attended the meeting. Items discussed that touch upon the ETHC purview: zoning application for a 97 Waterloo Ave; relocating boundaries of VB; Devon train station grant; Omnibus; 228 Highland Ave property
 - CCHPN Historic Preservation Network Picnic – Anna and Richard attended and learned what other townships are doing and also shared Easttown’s accomplishments
 - Bill Friedrich’s name was submitted as a member to the ETHC and will be voted on by Supervisors at the upcoming Monday meeting
 - 2023 projects: we need to provide Anna with feedback on the following, as she will be sending an email within a week requesting our prioritization of the following:
 - Village of Berwyn – tours
 - Marker program
 - Restoration awards
 - Historic homeowner picnic
 - Historic home research, rolled out with affiliated workshop open to the community
 - Social media, with a potential link to the existing Tredyffrin Easttown Historical Society page that Joyce will pursue
 - Education / workshops for ETHC members
 - Michelle Bradley shared that Historic Waynesborough hosted an event on 7/3/22 with about 40 attendees and that more events will be taking place in the future. Also shared that the township has worked through the covenants so that roof work can proceed. And, she shared that the matching grants came in that allowed for the profession polishing of silver artifacts.
- **New Business** – nothing to report

o Public Comment

- o Mary Hashemi of 554 Canterbury Lane in Berwyn provided feedback on the documents pertaining to protection of historic resources and expanding BV guidelines with the suggestion that these two concepts should be separated.
- o Bill Friedrich of 425 Newtown Road in Berwyn suggested we may want to consider making historic districts using smaller groups of houses, such as doing it by block, so as to base the districts upon community engagement. Anna suggested we could add this as a potential community workshop

MEETING ADJOURNED 9:05 PM ET. Next meeting: August July 10 at 7:00 PM ET

Meeting minutes submitted by:

Stacey Rohrbeck, Secretary // 2022-07-13