



East Fallowfield Historical Commission

Unapproved Meeting Minutes

July 1, 2015

I. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

II. Meeting attendance

- **Joe McCormick, Arthur DeLeo, Lee Schlingmann present. Absent Garth Monaghan, Sue Monaghan, Fred Bissinger, and Buddy Rhoades. Quorum not met.**

III. Review of minutes of prior meeting

- **Minutes of May, 2014 reviewed and approved.**
- **Noted that regular meeting scheduled for June 3, 2015 was cancelled in order that members could attend the public hearing for the proposed East Fallowfield Comprehensive Plan held at the same time.**

IV. Discussion – Open Issues

- **Mortonville Bridge** –potential for additional work to change the façade of interior side of concrete “jersey barrier” walls to be more in keeping with original appearance.
 - i. Buddy Rhoades indicated he had further discussion with Sen. Dinnimin’s office. He was advised that they will contact him. No communication from the Senator’s office as yet.
 - ii. Karen Marshall (CCHPN) noted that the Mortonville Bridge has regionally become an example of how not to renovate an historic bridge.
 - iii. Fred Bissinger to forward information to Karen Marshall with ideas on adding a stone veneer to walls.
 - iv. **No further discussion.**
 - **Frog Hollow Bridge (Speakman’s No. 1 Covered Bridge)** – construction scheduled to commence later this year.
 - i. PennDOT contacted with respect to communication provisions agreed to as a part of the Section 106 meeting of concerned parties. No response.
 - ii. **As of this date, no work has been started to renovate the bridge. Joe McCormick started that he had forwarded a letter to PennDOT which requested (1) what the status of the proposed work and schedule is, and (2) why a monthly progress report has not been sent as was agreed to during the Section 106 public meeting held in February of 2014.**
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- iii. **The monthly status update was to have been sent to Joe McCormick and Richard Buchanan. Arthur DeLeo stated he would contact Mr. Buchanan to determine whether or not he had been receiving monthly updates.**
- **Historic Resource Map and Windshield Survey** – modifications to the Windshield Survey are needed.
 - i. Joe McCormick has input much of the Property Owner information on to the windshield survey and made some other updates to the data
 - ii. A suggestion to update the map and survey is included on the Comprehensive plan to be proposed to the BOS.
- **Website Additions** – HC plans to enhance the Township website appeal by adding photos and other information pertaining to the Township’s historic resources.
 - i. **No further action taken to date.**
- **Electronic Storage of Historical Commission documents and records** – discussed the idea of scanning and preserving documents to electronic media to prevent loss or damage of the records. This will be an ongoing project, further meetings will discuss the means and methods.
 - I. **This will be an ongoing project as time permits.**
- **Strasburg Road** – it was noted that renovation of the former one-room schoolhouse had not been progressing. It appeared no work had been done in months, and the grass had not been mowed for some time.
- **Strasburg Road** – it was noted that subsequent to the HC review of the proposed renovation plans and recommendations, no work had been initiated, and the property is now listed for sale. The grass has not been mowed and the property not otherwise maintained in months.

V. **Discussion - New Business**

- **No new business initiated.**

VI. **Adjourn Meeting** – meeting adjourned at 7:05PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe McCormick

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Chairman
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