

Delaware Township Historical Advisory Committee

Minutes: January 9, 2019 7:30PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Nancy Bond, Bob Chamberlain, Marilyn Cummings, Tim Davis, Chuck Taylor

Visitors: Mary Jane Augustine, Jason Kliwinski, and Lia Nielsen, joint owners of the Holcombe House.

Approved minutes: None ready

Annual committee organization:

- **Membership:** Nancy Bond, Bob Chamberlain, Marilyn Cummings, Tim Davis, Marfy Goodspeed (Advisory), Alan Johnson, Chuck Taylor. Township Committee liaison yet to be determined.
- **Officers:** Chair: Chuck Taylor; Vice Chair: Tim Davis; and Secretary: Nancy Bond

Projects:

1. **Holcombe House:** Jason Kliwinski distributed nice prints of computer renderings of the house from different angles, showing it as it is now, and as it will be after the proposed renovations.

The agenda stated that we were to “review and finalize resolution regarding the historic preservation easement compliance of “Phase 1 Roof and Window Work” plans submitted by owners at December 12, 2018 meeting”. Chuck attempted over several days to prepare this resolution, addressing individually each item in the large drawing package. He worked to the last minutes before this meeting started, and arrived with the draft resolution complete, except for one set of items. The other members of the committee had had no chance to review the draft resolution in advance of the meeting, and expressed that they would be unable to properly review the large number of significant proposed actions at this meeting.

Chuck distributed the draft resolution to the committee members and the guests (the owners of the property), and explained his approach to individually judging whether each proposed action is or is not in compliance with the language of the preservation easement. Everyone spent a few minutes reading the draft resolution.

The committee members worked for the rest of the meeting to make their way through the draft resolution, to see if agreement could be reached on whether each of the thirty plus individual proposed actions would be in compliance with the terms of the easement document. The committee members had diverse opinions on many of the issues, and questions about the details, and tried to resolve their differences.

We discussed windows that are in disrepair, and weather to repair or replace them led to a discussion between Chuck and Jason. Nancy said “If we spend this

much time on each issue it could be years.” We re-read the ordinance to understand it better, but still had a lot of dispute. We agreed we were not able to complete the full review of the resolution document at this meeting, and that we should schedule a special meeting to discuss further.

2. **Moore Cemetery:** No discussion.
3. **Saxtonville Tavern:** No discussion.
4. **Reading School:** No discussion.
5. **Sergeantsville sidewalks:** No discussion.
6. **Historic bridges update:** No discussion.
7. **Historic districts road work:** No discussion.
8. **Historical site signs:** No discussion.
9. **Stockton and Flemington Development updates:** No discussion.

New Business: None

Public Comments, Questions, Suggestions: No more

Adjournment: Meeting ended after 11:00 PM.