

**Delaware Township Historic Advisory Committee
Minutes - April 12, 2023, 7:30pm - Sergeantsville, NJ**

Attendance

Liza Davis, chair
Tim Davis, v. chair
Nancy Bond, secretary
~~Anthony Anastasio~~

Bob Chamberlain
~~Alan Johnson~~
Deborah Kline
Chuck Taylor

~~Michael Cuba, advisor~~
~~Marilyn Cummings, advisor~~
~~Marfy Goodspeed, advisor~~

Visitors:

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of minutes 2/8/23 and 3/8/23: TD moved, BC second, all in favor

Officer Reports

Chairperson

2023 mtg. dates: Apr 12, May 10, Jun 14, Jul 12, Aug 9, Sep 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13

Vice-chairperson no report

Secretary will not be in attendance for the August meeting

read comments received from advisor Marilyn Cummings (HS will resolve easement, keep an eye on Rt. 29 projects, Brookville Nomination was approved, Chuck took photos of bridge)

Ongoing Topics

- Historic properties:
 - Holcombe House - DTHS will resolve the easement issue
 - Saxtonville Tavern - Chuck and Marilyn met with Mark Trexel of NJ Parks and Forestry. He would like this property returned to the public, like Holcombe House. The tavern needs structural repairs and because the road is so close and there is no sidewalk, the use is limited to the limited parking available. Texel has some ideas about emergency repairs and stewardship.
 - Reading School - There is a fallen tree, but no damage to the building.
 - Locktown Stone Church - Clean Up Day April 15; lots of trees down; records consolidation; Fall concert series scheduled
- Historic Cemeteries - Tim has observed a parking lot being built on Rt 523 as access to a small cemetery, probably in Raritan Township.
- County Engineering - engineering staff receptive to attending a DTHAC meeting, just need to find the time.
- NJDOT Rt 29 Alexauken Creek Rd project - no change
- Informative brochure/webpage info.
 - we should promote township history
 - can we have a column in the Bridge? Liza will check with Sue Lockwood
 - offer profiles of historic districts
 - does DTS still do the historical essay contest? Nancy will check with teacher Val Wheatley - we can invite her to a meeting, offer a prize

New Business DK asked if anyone has ever looked at/into the granges in the township.

Adjournment at 8:37

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 7:30pm
contact the DTHAC at dthistoricadvisorycommittee@gmail.com