

HISTORICAL COMMISSION EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP April 15, 2014

The April regular meeting of the East Bradford Township Historical Commission was held on April 15, 2014 in the Township Building, 666 Copeland School Road, West Chester, Chester County, Pa., 19380-1822.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary Sue Boyle
Erik Freeland
Rich Gallagher
Ann Armstrong
Jean Renshaw

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Peggy Scholl
Rick Kirijan

STAFF/PROFESSIONALS PRESENT: None

GUESTS PRESENT: Eleanor Thompson and Marie Boisvert, volunteers for the Oral History Project; Jerry and Eric Paladino

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mary Sue Boyle.

MINUTES: Mary Sue Boyle made a motion to approve the April 1, 2014 minutes; Ann Armstrong seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

HR#58 - Joshua Hoopes Farmstead - 815 Shenton Road

Jerry Paladino introduced himself as the current owner of HR#58. Eric Paladino stated that he intends to take over ownership of the house and make renovations so that his family can live there. The Paladinos reviewed the file for HR#58 and were invited to return to future meetings to discuss their plans.

HR#114 - Edwin James Farm - 975 West Miner Street

Ann Armstrong noted that the barn roof has collapsed and it appears that work is being done on the barn. Mary Sue Boyle will mention this to Brenden Beaumont.

OLD BUSINESS:

Communication with the Board of Supervisors

Erik Freeland suggested that on certain matters, such as demolition applications, the Historical Commission should be certain that its communications with the Board of Supervisors include references to the East Bradford Code -- as was done in the recent selective demolition application for HR#6 barn.

Oral History Project

Interviews will be 1 - 2 hours long, preferably at the subject's residence. Themes include national events (such as WW II), agriculture, businesses, transportation, education, social activities, religion, recreation, memories of West Chester, and people the subject recalls. Erik Freeland can start filming as early as May. Eleanor Thompson will prioritize the list of interview subjects.

The next regular meeting of the East Bradford Historical Commission is Tuesday, May 20 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, Mary Sue Boyle adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Renshaw