

## SCHUYLKILL TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION

### Minutes of Meeting - December 21, 2015

**Members Present:** Sandy Momyer, Ginny Stearly, John Gregory, Khalil Hihi, Dianne Cram

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.

Minutes from the November meeting were approved.

#### Announcements

The January meeting of the Historical Commission will be delayed until Monday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm due to the Martin Luther King holiday.

The 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of iron and steel making in this region will be celebrated throughout 2016. A program will be held on March 16<sup>th</sup> at Schuylkill River Heritage Center

Upcoming events at Phoenixville Country Club are: June 9 – Chris Densmore will present a program about the Underground Railroad through Schuylkill Township, and Nov. 5 will be Founders Day.

#### Reports

Bill Brennan was unable to attend this meeting but will be at our January meeting.

The visits to 100 Country Club Road and Anderson Barn and postponed and will be rescheduled before the January meeting.

Mr. Meehan, owner of Anderson Barn has been in touch with Sandy. He indicated that Judge Michaels may be sympathetic to his problem in maintaining the barn.

1571 Valley Forge Road – Sandy has not heard back from the attorney or owners. It was discussed whether to waive the requirement for the owners to complete the entire documentation process. We agreed that the historic portion which is the remnant of the barn wall is being preserved and the portion of the cottage to be demolished was not of historic value. We will ask the owners to provide any historical documentation they have and to explain how the barn wall will be preserved for the future.

Sandy has not heard back from Mark Faulkner about other properties of concern. Barbara Cohen still did not have information on Dr. Eisner's property.

There will be a meeting concerning the Trolley Station and Valley Park in January. Sandy and Dianne will attend.

Dianne will review the structural report on the PASD barn. We need to get the additional copy from Mary to give to PASD.

### **Old Business**

Sandy reported that she was in contact with Grace Showalter and that Grace and her sister want to share their family stories of the Showalter farm and dairy. Sandy will arrange a meeting with her after the holidays. The suggestion was made to honor them and their family at the next Founders Day.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.

Submitted by

Dianne M. Cram