

Holland Township Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Monday, July 2, 2018
Holland Twp. Municipal Building, 7 PM

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

Present: Joseph Becker, Larry LaFevre, Beverly Kirby-McDonough, Carl Molter, Kathy Sciarrello
Excused: Scott Wilhelm, Shirley Wydner

Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to the open public meeting act, by the Twp. Clerk on December 21, 2017.

Minutes of the May 2018 meeting were approved.

Books

Kathy Sciarrello discussed the online availability of Holland books. “*Early Life and Traditions of Holland Township – 1908-1915*” is currently listed on Lulu.com, but not Amazon.com. There is a two-month delay in listing with Amazon.com. The book covering years “1916-1923” is not publicly available on either website yet. This is next and final book of the series.

Oral Histories

Larry LaFevre said that he is planning to introduce Mr. George Vetter to Mr. and Mrs. Hummer, and to share material related to this history of Bunn Valley and Hoffman Farms. Beverly G. Kirby-McDonough indicated that there are no further updates on oral histories.

History Day at HLT Farmers’ Market, Sunday, July 8th

Joe Becker, Carl Molter and Larry agreed to participate in the Farmers' Market History Day at Dvoor Farm on Sunday, July 8th. Beverly will arrange to meet with Joe in advance to provide a canopy and two tables. Also, Joe will meet with Larry to pick up books. They will decide what specific materials will be displayed, including maps, books, flyers, etc.

Commission decided to maintain the price of small maps at \$85.00 each. A new printer supplied the small maps. Quality is consistent with the original prints.

Bunn Valley District

Larry stated that he received an update from Mr. Dennis Bertland. All changes resulting from the Bunn Valley presentation were submitted to the State of New Jersey, including a new map. The next step in the process is a public hearing.

Fine / Cyphers Farm

Larry reported that the development of the solar farm is in progress with a new contractor, Milford Solar Farm, LLC. Prior to June 19th, it was discovered that the site was leveled and cleaned. All structures were razed, with the exception of the house and barn. The root cellar with a connecting well and the spring house is now gone. Mr. Michael Margulies must renegotiate procurement of funding for the lot and restoration.

Other Business

- Frank Stull Plaque – Larry read a list of proposed biographical highlights, and asked for any additional ideas. Location of the plaque is still undecided. However, it will most likely be displayed at Rigel Ridge.
- Paper Machine at Warren Glen – Larry said that he plans to contact the National Museum of Industrial History (NMIH) in Bethlehem, PA, to see if there is any interest in this equipment. Larry mentioned that the NMIH has a rare copy of the Declaration of Independence on display.
- Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia – Carl Molter recommended a visit to this museum which features a tent that George Washington used during the Revolution.
- Holland Township Committee Meetings – Larry announced that these meetings, scheduled on the first Tuesdays of July and August, are canceled.

Show and Tell

- 2018 Fair Schedule; August 22nd through August 26th at Ringoes 4-H Fairgrounds – Joe.
- Project Horses for Forces – Volunteer Manual – Joe.
- “The Nugget” Lambertville Newsletter featuring historic Lambertville Station photographs – Larry.
- Riegel Ridge Midget Band Photograph circa 1955 – Larry.
- 1933 Second Annual Minstrels Program, Milford, NJ – Beverly.

Next Meeting: Monday, August 6th, at 7:00PM

Meeting Adjourned: 7:46 PM