

## East Brandywine Historical Commission Meeting May 8, 2019

**Present:** John Black, Jim Buczala, Sharon Buczala, Mark Myers, Bob Renken, Sean Alvarez, and Francis Taraschi

**Also Present:** Luke Reven, Larry Crossan (resident), Dr. Mario Spoto (in support of Croce marker)

Meeting opened at 7:07 pm; Adjourned at 8:13 pm

**Minutes** of previous month's meeting

Motion made to approve minutes, as amended, by John B. and seconded by Jim B. The motion was passed.

**Dowlin House**, 205 Township Road (HR-45)

John Rathfon, (Metropolitan) – No further submission or communication from the applicant

**Weaver Tract**, 1234 Horseshoe Pike (HR-170)

- John B. will schedule a site visit. Members prefer 5/18 or an evening, except 5/16
- Decision on Conditional use Hearing – 5/16

**Croce Marker**

Larry Crossan (property owners of where the marker would be placed) brought pictures of outhouse (from the 1990's) for members of HC to see. Luke R. scanned for file.

- Members of the Historical Commission support the rehabilitation of the outhouse.
- Discussed funding options, suggestion that those who support monetarily be invited to the marker ribbon cutting.

**DCCC Marker for Downingtown Industrial & Agricultural School**

Jim B. meeting with Ruth Bennett next Tuesday afternoon at 2 pm.

**Leanne Smith**, 2022 Bondsville Road (HR-89)

Township Historic Preservation Award

Leanne Smith responded to Jim B. and was apologetic for not responding sooner. Will get back to him soon with a time when the Historic Commission can visit. She did give Jim B. permission to go onto her property to take photos for the Fall issue of the CCHPN *Ledger*.

**Recorded Interviews of Long-time Residents**

Donna Sobczynski Aylsworth on 5/24/19 at 11:30 am in the Township Building meeting room. John B. will reserve the room.

## **Planning Commission Update**

No update.

## **East Brandywine Township Update**

- Giant decision due 6/6 at Board of Supervisor's meeting (8 am)
- McCausland Farm – Developer has asked about school
- Village Hardware – auction scheduled for 5/24

## **Spring Speaking Series**

- “The Arrival of the Mormons” – About 60 people attended
- “Follow the Brandywine for Geology, Ecology and Architectural Features” – lightly attended
- “The Special Barns of Chester County” – scheduled for 5/19

## **Action Steps:**

John B. – Follow up with J. Rathfon to confirm materials, paint colors, and chimney construction for Dowlin House.

Jim B., Francis T, Mark M. – Work with owner of 11 Highspire re: restoration of outhouse.

Jim B. – Continue to work with DCCC re: marker.

Jim B. – Continue to try and setup a site visit to 2022 Bondville Rd. (Township Historic Preservation Award).

Sharon B. & Bob R. – Continue to research HR-55.

Carol S. and Allie P. – Continue interviews with longtime residents.

Sharon B. – continue to work on Archives