

Kennett Township Historical Commission

Monthly Meeting Agenda

April 7, 2022 - 7:00 pm Kennett Township Meeting Room

or

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87490216388>

Dial by Phone: +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 874 9021 6388

Passcode: **KTHC2020**

Approve minutes of March 3, 2022 KTHC meeting

Plan Review and Public Comment

1. Updates for:

-30 Ways Lane Adaptive Reuse

-911 Merry Bell Lane Addition

-Boulet Barn partial demolition: Has Township received the pictures documenting the barn?

-Longwood Progressive Meetinghouse: Proposed shutter removal submitted to design team.

Treasurer's report: Updates on our budget status (Fredda)

2022-2023 Capital Expenditures Request: Supervisors gave consent to begin dialogue to establish a capital funds project for Historic Resources. Updates?

2022 Spar Hill Farm Consultant Request: \$6,000 approved

Properties of Concern:

Grange

Isaac Allen House

The Pines

Spar Hill Farm

Adam Taylor Farmhouse: 11/17/21 request for a professional mothball preservation plan

Clifton Mill

Potter House complex

Chandler Mill Bridge – Preservation Easement Status

Old Business:

1. Spar Hill Farm Status (Diane and Karen)

Members of the Spar Hill Sub Committee met with Matthew Roberson of R and B Carpentry to finalize the recommendations for structures to be included in the assessment.

Based on discussion, the committee recommends the following steps:

Step one: Property survey by Breckstone: Complete

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Step two: Verify recommendations of the property survey and recommend preservation plan and cost for specific structures: \$6,500 approved and proposal received for approval at 4/6 BOS meeting.

Step three: Final recommendations to the BOS

2. Historical Commission History Room and utilization of the Pines: Status (Karen)
Karen Marshall will pursue for commission in conjunction with Harriet Tubman Scenic Byway. Are we planning a Juneteenth program?
3. Historic Resource Mapping (Lori)
Update
4. Brandywine Battlefield Interpretive Marker: Approve Wording (Denise)

Traversing the Red Clay Valley

Nighttime, Sept. 9/10, 1777, two days before the Battle of Brandywine, over 8,000 Crown Forces commanded by Generals Howe and Cornwallis marched toward Kennett Square from the area of Hockessin, Delaware. Using portions of Chandler Mill Road and farm lanes, the column spent a difficult night negotiating the rugged Red Clay Creek terrain. They forded Red Clay Creek a short distance from here. Struggling with darkness and poor roads, foraging and looting as they went, the column halted in the area around midnight and resumed their march at daybreak. (89 words)

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New Business

1. Develop educational marker program. (Lars Farmer)
2. Do we want to submit an article for the Spring Township Newsletter? **All articles will be due on Friday, April 15th**. It can be a ½ page (~400 words) or a full page (~800 words). Submit to Gretchen Porterfield. Ideas.
 - Spar Hill Farm article
 - Historic Resource Update article
3. Other

CONCLUDE MEETING

Next meeting May 5, 7 pm