

Kennett Township Historical Commission

801 Burrows Run Road
Chadds Ford, PA 19317



September 27, 2021

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

Commission Members Present: Lars Farmer (Chair), Denise Klein, Karen Marshall, Diane McGovern, Judy Merhar, Fredda Pennock, Ed Rahme

Members: Absent: Nick Popovich

Visitors: Diane Hicks, Judy Wilson (Partial for the Grange), Judy Herdeg (Partial for the Grange), Natalie Kelly (Local student attending a Township meeting), Scott Neumann (Rep fro PECO – Partial for the Adam Taylor House), Carolyn Roland, Brian Smith (from Exelon – Partial for the Adam Taylor House).

Minutes

Lars opened the Meeting at 7:09 pm

- 1. Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the August 23, 2021, were approved with no modifications.
- 2. Treasurer's Report:** The balance of our budget coming into this meeting is \$1100.00
Fredda reported no new expenses.
KTHC needs to request a budget for 2022. All members shall submit recommendations to Lars for 2022 budget line items.
- 3. Supervisor's meeting** – No new activity.
- 4. The Pines:**
Diane Hicks will finalize discussions with Eden to allow Seth Hinshaw to film the Pines for his Youtube Channel – This video could be used for publicity for the building to find tenants.
- 5. Spar Hill Farm:** Karen suggested that a committee be formed from members of the Planning Commission, the Historical Commission, the Zoning Board, etc. to evaluate possibilities for the Farm. The Supervisors and Citizens need to approve the Committee.
- 6. Local Certification Discussion:** No new activity.
- 7. Sign at Clifton Mill:** No new activity.
- 8. The Grange:** Judy Wilson (Co-chair of Pennsbury Historical Commission) spoke to the neighbor – the neighbor said that no one has lived there for the past two years. Diane Hicks will contact the owner and pass along the message that a private buyer is interested in purchasing the property. She will pass along the owner's information to Judy Wilson and Judy Herdeg. Denise Klein will assist Judy and Judy in contacting the Owner's mother.

- 9. Meetings in Person:** We will continue with hybrid meetings –both in person and on ZOOM.
- 10. Historic Resource Map:** Lars presented his draft of a map locating the commonly discussed historic resources – Arc Stone, Mendenhall Trail, The Pines, etc.
- 11. Whiteside Barn:** The Barn at the intersection McFarlan Road and Hillendale Road caught fire. The owners requested and were granted permission to erect a temporary structure to accommodate their horses.
- 12. Abraham Taylor house (300 Exelon Way):**
- 12.1 Board of Supervisors has asked the KTHC to comment on the proposal re: the Adam Taylor Farmhouse Condominium Association (presented by Exelon). Exelon proposed stabilizing the house and moving it to another part of their property near East Baltimore Pike. Exelon will then deed the property to Kennett Township.
- 12.2 Karen Marshall asked if it was possible, in the event that the house was moved, for Exelon to maintain the original foundation in case future archeologists wish to access the site.
- 12.3 The KTHC will establish a subcommittee to visit the building and assess it to determine if it is worth having the Township acquire the property. The site walk will be 1pm on Friday 10/01/2021.
- 12.4 The Subcommittee will reconvene on Monday 10/04/2021 at 7pm to discuss the walk through.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,
Ed Rahme, Secretary