

MEETING MINUTES January 14, 2008

West Brandywine Historic Commission

West Brandywine Historical Commission (WBHC) Members

Present

Alan Amenta,		Hugh Redditt	X (HR)
John Vilcheck, Jr.	X (JV)	Jerry Wilmnzig	X (JW)
Maureen Zapf		Barry Parsons	X (BP)
Susan Fitzgerald			

Copies of WBHC meeting minutes and board correspondence will be forwarded to:

- West Brandywine Township Board of Supervisors (BOS)
- West Brandywine Township Manager
- West Brandywine Planning Commission
- West Brandywine Zoning Officer
- West Brandywine Parks and Recreation

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by John Vilcheck

Vote to accept October 8, 2007 Minutes, 4-0 w changes noted by JW did notify JV of non attendance at last meeting .

Public Comment:

None

New Agenda Items: December 2007

Mrs. Jane E Dorchester spoke to the members type of work she does in county and working closely with county /townships within Ordnances. Resume was provided at meeting for review.

Old Business – Nov. 2007

Members were advised that Township Manager still has not received resignation of Susan Fitzgerald.

1. HC Advertisement

Advertisement for new members in quarterly township news letter.

2. HC Storage Requirements

As of 01/14/2008, no response from BOS.

3. Reference Materials and Books

HR to purchase books and get reimbursed. Still open as of 01/14/2008

4. Gudal Properties: Track @29-650 - JV & HR will take photographs taken on 1/13/08.

NOTE: Two (2) old stone boundary markers were knocked down on site. Should be replaced and maintained per township ordinance.

5. Historic Property Reports: All reports from 3 month ago are **still open at this time.**

6. Historic Display Cabinet: HC request status of display cabinet request 20 months ago. **HC is resubmitting request to BOS for this item**

7. Hideaway Farms - Open items from September 2007 meeting. No status. WB PD patrols area

8. Springhill Farms - No other actions at this time. Ltr to be drafted by BP &HR to owner on what he should be doing to preserve.

9. Reason Farm—Glen Loch

- a. Site remains open and not secured, Security needed ASAP.
- b. Site drive by done 1/13/08,(JV&HR) no change at location debris pile on site and new windows doors added as security measures.
- c. Original chimney on west side of house removed
- d. Replacement soffit material does not match the original design of woodwork that was present. See Sectio#200 pgs 160-161 subsection 200-192 A-J and sub para F

10. Catania Property

Status

All items are still open on this project. E mail sent to PE requesting the status of his report & to come to the BOS meeting on 11/15.

Information provided at earlier meeting to BOS for stabilization.

Follow up on other side volunteers for site. HR

11. Pulte 55 + Housing

At BOS meeting question asked again about "Riparian Buffer" BOS says they can not go back to property owner when in fact the Ordinance follows the property not the people.

See minutes from meeting on 1/24/2007.

12. Swinehart Realty Bentley

Refer to pages 3 & 4 of 55, the barns ruins do not appear on the plans. HC request that clear copy be made available to the HC for review.

Action still pending, awaiting reply after meeting minutes read by BOS.

- 13. Culbertson Village (Bentley Homes Project RT 322) – See minutes of 1/12/08 meeting! Items still not taken care of and inaccordance with their own statement “The Applicant shall Preserve the out buildings which applicant testiied will be preserved”.**

HC recommends follow action by L&I for this violation.

- 14. Hoover Farm (aka Arch Diocese of Phila) Rt 322, 1668 Horseshoe Pike.**

See minutes of 1/12/2008 meeting as well. Major questions needing replies still open on this tract concerning Historical property.

Communications Received:

None

New Business:

BOS meetings: Jan –BP & HR; Feb – HR & BP; March JV & HR

Motions:

1. Members need to attend next Grant writing seminar.
2. Listing of sites for grants
3. Result of HC visits w K Marshall Sites designated as Archeological site note in activity list and BOS needs to be aware.
4. Reeseville Village – be deemed an Historic village
5. Developers have contingency. funds for Arch dig on sites with same???

Activities:

Gudal site visit 1/13/2008

Demolitions:

Spring Hill Farms
Pulte & Bollinger Road

Photos:

Gudal tract & Old Conestoga Furniture Store
Reason Farmhouse
Catania Project

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM

Next meeting – **February 11, 2008 at 7:30 PM**

