

West Brandywine Historic Commission

MEETING MINUTES October 10, 2011

West Brandywine Historical Commission (WBHC) Members:

Roll Call

Barry Parsons	<u>X</u>	John Vilcheck, Jr.	<u>X</u>
Hugh Redditt	<u>X</u>	Jeff Grossman	<u>X</u>
Stephen Mesure	<u>X</u>	Ted Claypoole	<u>X</u>

1. Call Meeting to order 7:32 PM.
2. Vote to accept September 11, 2011 Minutes. All were in favor, minutes passed contingent on a minor correction to a property name.
3. **Public Comment.**
No public comments.
4. **New Agenda Items:**
 - **Cedar Knoll Road Property - Pulte Property**
 - Commercial & Land Project Manager for Pulte, Bill Creeger came forward with plans to repair roof damage by replacing roof shingles.
 - The roof would be removed to the rafters and replaced with color appropriate asphalt shingles.
 - This would include the main home and front porch roof, but not the rear porch roof.
 - Mr Creeger was asked to keep or replicate trim work, and to photo document progress of work, especially the old roof.
 - JV made motion for Dale to approve, TC seconded, and all in favor to accept plans as presented.
 - **Eck Barn - 120 Germany Hollow Rd**
 - Dr Gordon Eck submitted plans for re-located barn to be used as a Bridal Barn. This will be located approximately 30 yards west of original barn location.
 - Dr Eck expressed he wanted the plaque with the barn's history replaced; this will be mounted at front entrance.
 - Barn will be used as a Bridal Barn, with reception hall on second floor.
 - BP motioned to accept the plans, JV seconded, and all in favor to accept plans as presented. (TC recused himself due to conflict in his firm's representation of Dr. Eck.)
 - Monthly Expenses: None

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5. Old Business

- Gordon Property -
 - Proposal to send letter to BOS asking to allow HC re-visit Gordon Property plans due to property line changes. Letter to be sent to WB Manager asking for status of changes and re-review of plans to HC.
- Hide-Away Farmette (Farm Stead)
 - Still Ongoing – nothing new.
- Aqua rt322 Water Tank
 - Noted that Conditional Use Approval was given for project, HC concern over requirement for a Sec. 106 review for this project not being done will be sent to BOS. Letters sent to Tom McCaffrey (BOS) concerning Sec. 106 review, these where answered that this was not required.

6. Communications.

- 9-12 Chester County Historical Society – Renew Membership.
- 10-7 Dale Barnett – Yak Roof - Bill Creeger, Commercial & Land Project Manager, Pulte Group Northeast Corridor Division – request to speak at meeting to discuss their project
- 9-9 Township Manager - **Cedar Knoll Road Property** – Letter to Pulte concerning cover coming loose over damaged roof and the concern over further damage to the structure and the unsightly nature of its condition.
- 9-21 Tom McCaffrey (member BOS) – Various correspondence to and from concerning the Aqua Water Tank Project. 18 documents total.

7. New Business.

- Union & Pratts Dam Road Development
 - Plans for proposed property line changes sent to HC for review. Since changes had no impact to set of historical markers on site, no action was taken.
- Chester County Historical Society Membership Renewal
 - BP made motion for renewal of membership for HC, HR seconded, and all in favor to renew membership.
- JV to forward listing of WB historical properties to all HC members for review and reference.
- Plans for Review by HC
 - Confirm with Linda Formica, Administrative Assistant, concerning leaving plans for review by HC in meeting room.
 - Express to Planning and BOS need of “Establishing of line of communication on new development/construction on apparent historical properties in the township, so that the HC is duly aware of same.”

8. Motions:

- September minutes.
- Cedar Knoll Road Property - Pulte Property roof replacement
- Eck Barn contraction
- Chester County Historical Society Membership Renewal.

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- Meeting adjournment

9. Activities.

- Hibernia Mansion Murder Mystery in October and Mansion Candle Light Tours on December 2nd and 3rd at 6:30PM.

Adjourn Meeting.

BP made a motion to adjourn the meeting, HR seconded, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.

Next Meeting date is November 14, 2011 @ 7:30 PM