

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 19, 2011 MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 by Eileen Stokes. Present at the meeting were: Eileen Stokes, Dale Blum, Barbara Rossi and Susan Penney.

REORGANIZATION: After some discussion, Dale Blum made a motion to keep the slate of officers the same as 2010 with one exception. Gregg Forsbrey will be added as back up secretary. Barbara seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

MINUTES: As there was not a quorum present to vote on the December,, 2010 minutes, the discussion and approval were tabled until the February meeting. There was no January work session.

OLD BUSINESS:

1 This year's reappointments are Leah Korbelt and Ed Gagne. They must be sworn in before the February meeting. Eileen will advise them to do so.

2 The Washington Township Historic Preservation Commission thanked the Washington Township Land Trust for allowing them to use the apartment in the Mill for their Holiday Get-together. Susan Penney accepted the thanks on behalf of the WTLT.

3 FYI: the Newburg Road Bridge will be closed sometime after January 18 for widening. Find another route to Mansfield folks.

4 Jeff Garry, an Eagle Scout candidate from Washington Township troop 236, made a presentation to the Washington Township Parks and Recreation Committee. We are supporting his project.

Applicants:

1 The WTLT is applying for a resolution to accept exterior lighting which was installed by their electrician. After studying the pictures and finding them quite acceptable, Barbara made a motion to approve them. Dale seconded the motion and the motion was carried. Sue abstained from voting as she is an officer on the WTLT. This will be known as resolution :RO 01-01-11.

2 A new roster will be made including Greg Forsbrey, a new Commissioner, and our new Council Liaison, Dave Kennedy.

3 Someone is writing a book on the history of the area and an inquiry was made regarding the story of the McPeak Farm. This property is next to Target.

4 A new COA is needed to cover the work to clean stabilize, and repair the deteriorating grave markers at the old Union Cemetery on Fairview Ave. Susan made a motion that we issue the necessary COA. Eileen seconded the motion and the motion was carried. The roll call vote was as follows: Barbara-yes, Dale- yes, Eileen- yes and Susan- yes. This COA will be known as: RO 01-02 11.

GOALS FOR 2011:

We have been working on establishing Design Guidelines for the Washington Township historic districts.. We have been researching the guidelines in surrounding towns, communities that are similar to ours. Barbara is going to ~~apply for~~ look into a grant (CLG) so that we can obtain guidance for doing this.

It will be important to reach out into the community to educate the residents about the importance and value of district expansion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14.

Respectively submitted,

Susan Penney

Secretary

Approved with corrections 2/16/11. Motion Susan Penney. Second: Barbara Rossi. Unanimous approval: Blum, Rossi, Penney, Stokes.