

**WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP HISTORIC COMMISSION
and
WARRINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

MINUTES OF MEETING – February 13, 2012

The regular meeting of the Warrington Township Historic Commission and Warrington Historical Society was held jointly on February 13, 7:30 p.m., at the Township Building located at 852 Easton Road, Warrington, PA 18976.

Attendance

Commission Members: Gwyn Walton, Chairperson, Stuart Cohen, Vice chairperson; Ken Samen and Carol Lee Vosteen, members

Society Members: Mary Doyle Roth, Scott Yates, Kathy Newcomb, Krista McDemus, Donna Sempowski

Guest: Shirley A. Yannich, Warrington Township Supervisor

Warrington Township Historic Commission Minutes:

1. Approval of Minutes - January 9, 2011
 - a. Minutes were approved unanimously

2. Public Comment-
 - a. Announced - Marycatherine has been reappointed to the Commission for 3 additional years
 - b. Reviewed the photos selection provided to the new Fulton Bank for their lobby display featuring well known historical Warrington locations. Per Mary, the focus was on Warrington Village photos
 - c. Folly Road update: Tim Tieperman and Bill Casey are working on an agreement for Gary Schlechter and the Schlechter Foundation
 - d. Updated contact lists were distributed

3. Review and New Action Items
 - a. 2012 Historic Commission officer review: unanimously decided that the Gwyn Walton will remain the Chairperson and Stuart Cohen will remain the Vice-Chairperson; Gwyn Walton will continue to record the minutes
 - b. Established the protocol for public calls into the Township, which Gwyn Walton will share with Barbara Livrone. The following are the first line contacts for calls that concern the Historic Commission and Society.
 - Mary Doyle Roth, 215-343-9239, for questions about the Warrington Historical books or Society donations
 - Gwyn Walton, 215-343-9577, questions about Historic Commission membership, activities, the historic plaque program, notices of destruction for Warrington buildings.

- c. Reviewed the Paul Keene article that will appear in the Link; Gwyn Walton to confirm which photos the township will use, so the Historic Society newsletter will use alternate photos.
 - d. Gwyn Walton to inquire about updating the Township website with Historic and Historical Society information
4. Historic Commission meeting adjourned at 8:00 Pm

Warrington Historical Society Notes:

1. Approval of January 9, 2012 minutes
 - a. Unanimously approved
2. Treasurer's report given by Scott
 - a. Current Balance: \$6012.985
3. Membership Report
 - a. 17 active members; 11 expired members; will insert renewal notice in newsletters
4. Public Comments & action items
 - a. The Spring 2012 newsletter will contain a request for 2012 dues; Keene article; Bridges article; Barness article; with photos for each
 - b. Bill Grun supplied photos of the Kerr house; Ken will scan before they are returned to Bill
 - c. The annual meeting date will be April 9th at 7:00 PM with the Society meeting first; Officers will be elected; other positions to be filled, as follows - Communication Director, Publicity, Membership, Fundraising; the Penrose artifacts and the Ladies Club card table will be on display
 - d. Carol Lee Vosteen projected her website presentation for review and critique; the website will house photos and past newsletters the group to formalize the phases for site construction; Carol has an IT volunteer in place to update the complex areas; the will be areas that the Society can manage independently; the presentation was very impressive and finished with applause from the members
 - e. Donna Sempowski will host a picnic in July for the Society and Commission; more details to follow
 - f. Ken to provide the Society By-laws to Carol Vosteen
5. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM

After the meetings, Shirley Yannich shared some observations and tips with the group:

- Do not use the color red in the Historical Society website due to the ADA act for color blindness
- She will follow-up on the stone from the Penrose House
- Suggested that the group submit a list of locally historic names for the roads in the new development on the Penrose property
- Eureka Village is going through redevelopment; are there suggested restrictions from Historic Commission and Historical Society?; A new CVS has been approved
- The 611 corridor is going to experience zoning updates; the groups should be attentive to changes that would affect the historical look of Warrington

Recorded by Gwyn Walton

Next Meeting March 12, 2011