



## Warrington Township Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes – March 13, 2023 Attendance:

Commission Members: Connie Ace - Chair, Guy Powell, Michael DeMaria, Kathy Newcomb, Frank Peranteau, Roseann Diorka, Shu-I Tu

Guests: Warrington Township Supervisor: Ruth Schemm (Liaison)

Warrington Historical Society: Mary Roth - President, Ken Samen, Donna Sempowski

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by Chair followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

### Meeting Minutes

Welcome 2023 BOS Liaison: Supervisor Ruth Schemm

- WHC members approved meeting minutes of February 13, 2023.

#### New Business

- Paul Bieleck, new resident at 2557 County Line Road, contacted Doreen Curtin for any historical information on his property. WHC and WHS members believe the property was one of the homes built by Fr. Gallen with his group of underprivileged boys around 1925. Connie will connect Mr. Bieleck with Ken Samen, who knows the most about Fr. Gallen, and will report back to Doreen Curtin.
- Renewal of our Mercer/Library membership. Presently we have an individual membership rate of \$40. There is a special library rate of \$100. The Mercer Museum membership is still one membership but allows "group research" so multiple people can be there at once instead of each needing a separate membership or paying the entrance fee. Cost would be \$100 for 1 membership but will allow group research. Motion to approve Library membership at \$100 was carried.
- Website change: "Warrington Gateway to Historic Bucks County" now reads Warrington Gateway to Bucks County. Ruth will check on the reason for the change.

#### Old Business

- Upcoming meeting on March 31, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. regarding Villa Barolo/Craig's Tavern Property. Sketches of proposal by an interested developer were reviewed. Development to include a high-density apartment complex. House in back of property would be gone. Restaurant would remain. Need to contact the Zoning and Planning Board regarding historic preservation.
- Open Space Committee – Lion's Pride Pond will be converted to wetlands. Out for bids.
- Master Watershed Steward of Bucks County program. Planting live stakes (branches cut from dormant trees, planted directly into the soil) which can be planted along banks of streams to prevent erosion of soil. Master Watershed Stewards of Bucks County are also working on other projects in the area.
- Community Service Day May 20.
- Website information has been corrected.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

**Next Meeting April 10, 2023 (hybrid meeting)**

Roseann Diorka, Warrington Historical Commission Secretary