

Delaware Township Historical Advisory Committee

Minutes: September 11, 2019 7:30PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Nancy Bond, Bob Chamberlain, Marilyn Cummings, Tim Davis, Chuck Taylor

Visitors: Liza Davis

Approve last month's minutes: July meeting minutes were approved. (There was no meeting in August.)

Projects:

1. **Moore Cemetery:** We need an update from Charlie Herman about the Township Committee efforts regarding the acquisition of the cemetery property.
2. **Holcombe House:** We discussed the arrangements with the Heritage Conservancy regarding the management of the facade easement on the property, and the news that the New Jersey Historic Trust might take it on for significantly less money.
3. **Saxtonville Tavern:** There was no news; the situation has been stagnant.
4. **Reading School:** We need to find out what money for restoration from the Historic Society is available, to make restoration decisions. Chuck has hired a mason, Sean Moran, to do interior work, such as filling the large holes where the stones are gone. Tim has talked to Nanni Electric concerning a meter and an outlet. Contractors will need to use for power equipment. Liza has gotten quotes for painting of \$4100 to \$8000. Liza did an online birthday fund raising and we now have \$300 more toward the school house. Tim talked to George Pauls who will make our woodwork trim for the cost of the materials.
5. **Sergeantsville sidewalks:** Marilyn has called SHPO to gain support for pressing the County to remedy the destruction of some of the Sergeantsville sidewalks during the repaving of Rt. 523. The sidewalks used to extend 350 ft. from the intersection north to the feed store on both sides of Rt. 523.
6. **Historic bridges update:** It looks like the covered bridge will get genuine white oak deck planks in the major repair project that is being planned; probably the project will take place in 2021. The stone bridge on Covered Bridge Road has been damaged, and is slated for repair.

7. Historic districts road work: See sidewalk note above.

8. Historical site signs: No discussion

9. Stockton and Flemington Development updates: The litigation efforts of the Friends of Historic Flemington are continuing to delay the proposed destruction of significant parts of the historic downtown area.

Adjournment: 9:52 PM