

**PENNSBURY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
MARCH 10, 2009**

Vice Chairman Aaron McIntyre called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Present: Aaron McIntyre, Barbara Kurowski, Lynn Luft, Michael Lane, Jim Ware and Kathy Howley. The minutes were approved as amended.

Michael Lane reviewed with members the presentation from the last meeting on a proposed trail project going along the Brandywine Creek throughout the township. The Conservancy is applying for a grant to spearhead this study and is asking for township support as well as financial support up to \$1400 or in kind services. The in kind services might be the use of our township building for meetings over the length of the project and also web site development. Steve Eichinger volunteered to do the web site development/maintenance. After some discussion the members voted unanimously to recommend the supervisors to support these two requests by the Brandywine Conservancy. Michael Lane will get the sample support letters to the supervisors for their review at the 3/18 meeting.

Jeannine Speirs and Susan Elks were present to continue the review of the zoning ordinance. Bob MacDonnell from the Historic Commission was also present and gave members a copy of a letter outlining their Commission's comments on the proposed revisions to the Historic Preservation ordinance Section 1700. The following was noted:

- Members agreed to change the demolition of historic resources definition – eliminate “substantial” and last sentence.
- Discussion on how to identify the structures as “historic” and how future buyers will know this. Present owners should also be notified of this “tagging”.
- Discussion on what constitutes maintenance of a historic structure and how specific we should get.
- Members requested seeing samples of this historic cards being developed for properties by the survey group.
- Historic map be included but not adopt historic materials list.
- CCPC will get procedure language for a resident to opt out of the historic resource map.
- Has part of the application the criteria listed in Section 1705 5 a-i.
- Financial analysis request should be made by supervisors at the request of the Historic Commission up front.
- Encourage initial meeting with applicant to get lay of the land.
- Discussed criteria for demo by neglect
- Will revisit special exceptions/conditional use when reviewing zoning districts again

Our next meeting will start with Section 1706, sec. B. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley
Recording Secretary