



Meeting of the Plymouth Township Historic District Commission
Thursday, August 12, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting
Meeting ID 828 0597 6673

APPROVED MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER at 7:09 p.m. by W. Harless, Chair.

a) Roll Call

PRESENT:	Colleen Azimi	Dennis Cebulski
	Jack Dempsey	Zach Funk
	Wendy Harless	Sybil Hunter
	Carol Souchock	

ALSO PRESENT Denisa Terrell, Recording Secretary

2) APPROVAL OF THE August 12, 2021 CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by C. Souchock and supported by D. Cebulski to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of August 12, 2021. Ayes all.

3) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 2021

a) Approval of June 17, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Moved by S. Hunter and supported by D. Cebulski to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 17, 2021. Ayes all.

4) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were none.

5) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Ann MacLaren, Chair from the Environmental Commission gave an invitation to the Commission to attend the Celebrating the Colors of Fall. The event will be held at the Township on October 10, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

6) NEW BUSINESS

Zach Funk was introduced and welcomed as the incoming Historic District Commissioner. He replaced Kevin Gurtowsky.

7) OLD BUSINESS

a) Shearer Cemetery – Wendy Harless

1. Clean-Up Continues.

An update was given on the cleanup efforts at Shearer Cemetery. Schedules were discussed. It was also suggested that there are some headstones that need cleaning.

2. Sidewalks are going in along North Territorial.

It was shared that sidewalks are going in along North Territorial around the cemetery. The road was also widened. The 1930 mausoleum was taken out. Cemetery Section 28 sits on the line of 27.

3. Poison Ivy update.

Poison Ivy continues to be a challenge and suggestions were requested concerning spray or to continue to pull up the existing. Free wood chips are available. Solicitation of volunteers are needed to move the wood chips up hill. The wood chips will keep the weeds down. There was the suggestion to get Boy Scouts.

There was a large fossil found, rugose coral. A quick search of 3D models on the internet drew the conclusion that it is most likely a fossilized Cnidaria.

4. We can get a new bench installed.

A bench will be installed. Lara Haw advised there is a \$5000 budget. J. Dempsey indicated that there may be a need for a subcommittee. Additional comments from C. Souchock indicated a metal bench would be better than a wood bench. C. Souchock also indicated the Environmental Commission would be able to present ideas.

5. Shearer Cemetery map update.

A draft map of the cemetery was reviewed. Ellen Elliot indicated John Shearer's son was in a glass top coffin in the mausoleum which could be included on the map.

b) The Pursell House and historical plaque update-Jack Dempsey and Dennis Cebulski

D. Cebulski communicated that plaques are available through C Way Studies in Ohio. The revised plaque of 26 X 36 will cost approximately \$2240. The developer will cover the cost. The marker will be positioned at the far east entrance.

Moved by J. Dempsey and supported by S. Hunter to approved the plaque wording with the condition that we can use with the photo.

All Ayes.

c) Rockwell Sculpture Update – Wendy Harless

There was a discussion on the Rockwell Sculpture signage and what it would look like. Two suggestions included pouring a slab and displaying as a work of art. There is also the consideration of the display being place on a table. Safety was considered with the table option. D. Cebulski indicated he will ask Friends of the Rouge who did the signs in the park.

d) Updates about expenditures

The Commission reviewed expenditures including expenses related to brochures, expected contributions, usage, as well as funds already approved.

e) Update for the homes on Northville Rd. —Wendy Harless

W. Harless provided details on the homes on Northville Road.

f) Historic Sites Brochure -Jack Dempsey

1. Review of letters to homeowners-Colleen Azimi

C. Azimi presented the letter to be sent out to private property homeowners to get permission to place the home in the brochure.

J. Dempsey indicated the final version of the brochure will be available for the October 28th meeting. The brochure can be ready by December. S. Hunter will review printing cost.

2. Review of graphic design layout.

Wendy presented photos to be placed in the brochure. It was advised more photos are needed. Permission must be obtained to place the photos in the brochure. It was also suggested if the Historic District can't stop the demolition of the Peacock house, photos should be obtained before the demolition.

7) ADJOURNMENT

Moved by C. Souchock and supported by D. Cebulski adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

Ayes all.

Wendy Harless, Chair
Historic District Commission