

Meeting of the Plymouth Township Historic District Commission Thursday, February 24, 2022 – 5:30 p.m. (note special time)

Next Meeting date April 28, 2022

1) CALL TO ORDER

a) Roll Call

2) APPROVAL OF THE February 24, 2022 CONSENT AGENDA

3) ENACTMENT OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approval of the December 16, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- b) Approval of the October 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes

4) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

5) PUBLIC COMMENTS

6) NEW BUSINESS

a) St. John's Inn and the Farmhouse at 13401 N Beck Rd. – Dennis Cebulski

7) OLD BUSINESS

- a) 2022 Meeting schedule –Should the HDC meet on December 8, 2022 at 7pm? **Vote required**
- b) Shearer Cemetery Wendy Harless
 - 1. Ground Penetrating Radar Update
 - 2. Article to be printed in "The Rock"
- c) Historic Marker for Triangle Park, does anyone have changes to the text?— Jack Dempsey
 - 1. Review of Triangle Park map from Laura Haw
- d) Historic Sites Brochure Wendy Harless
 - 1. Printed copies should be in. Who can take copies to our different locations for distribution? DDA, library etc.
- e) Updates on historic homes
 - 1. Root house is on the market
 - 2. Berdan House was on the market
 - 3. Farwell house recently purchased
 - 4. Peacock House back on the market
 - 5. Elks property

8) ADJOURNMENT

The public is invited and encouraged to attend all meetings of the Historic District Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth



Plymouth Township Historic District Commission PROPOSED MEETING MINUTES Thursday, December 16, 2021 - 7 p.m.

> HYBRID MEETING Join Zoom Meeting https://mcka.zoom.us/j/83903641413

1) CALL TO ORDER

a) Roll Call at 7:02 p.m.

PRESENT	Wendy Harless	Colleen Azimi
	Dennis Cebulski	Zach Funk
	Sybil Hunter	

VIRTUAL ATTENDANCECarol Souchock and Jack DempseyALSO PRESENTDenisa Terrell, Recording Secretary

2) APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 16, 2021 AGENDA

Moved by C. Azimi and supported by S. Hunter to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of December 16, 2021. Ayes All.

3) ENACTMENT OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

a) Approval of October 28, 2021, Meeting Minutes will take place at the February 24, 2022 meeting.

4) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were none

5) PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

6) OLD BUSINESS



a) Meeting schedule

Meeting dates were discussed. Meetings will be every other month on the fourth Thursday, as follows:

February 24, 2022	April 28, 2022
June 23, 2022	August 25, 2022
October 27, 2022	December TBD

b) Shearer Cemetery – Wendy Harless
1. Online Map Updated to show tombstone of Mary J Sayrs.

The online map will be updated to show the tombstone location of Mary J. Sayrs.

c) Poison Ivy update

W. Harless shared that she put the rock salt on the poison ivy. She advised revisiting in the spring.

2. Dead Tree update

Another dead tree was located that will need to be removed. The Township Supervisor will ask permission from the neighbors to access their property to remove the tree as the cemetery pathway is very narrow.

3. Let's set a clean-up schedule for 2022 Spring, Summer and Fall

W. Harless suggested developing a spring, summer, and fall schedule for a cleanup. W. Harless and C. Azimi will complete spring clean-up on April 30, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. W. Harless will also inform the church. Future clean-up dates will be scheduled at upcoming HDC meetings.

W. Harless also shared that a State archeologist will come out with special equipment to survey the graveyard at no cost. This will allow the archeologist to train with ground surveying equipment. The equipment will be able to locate old



gravesites and detect where gravesites did exist. She will update everyone with dates.

- 4. Other updates
- d) Historic Marker for Triangle Park (draft text attached)—Jack Dempsey

There was discussion on sending Historic Markers of Indigenous people for review from native tribes for assistance in creating text. S. Hunter provided examples to consider.

W. Harless shared that the cost of the historical markers has increased. They are \$525 installed. She suggested a conversation with the township to cover the cost.

The maps of locations will be placed on the next agenda.

e) Development at the Elks Property on Ann Arbor Rd.-Dennis Cebulski

D. Cebulski provided an update of the Elks Property. The project developers were to address density and a number of other concerns. No response from planning as of date if the developer is moving forward.

- f) Historic Sites Brochure Jack Dempsey
 - 1. Review of draft text for the inside back page (draft attached)—*Wendy Harless*

W. Harless share updated copies of the Historic Site Brochures. The cost of 100 brochures would be \$349. The higher quantity purchased reduces the cost. The brochures will be placed in different locations. The maps are adopted for color blindness.

Moved by S. Hunter and supported by C. Souchock to purchase 500 brochures from Progressive Printing for \$879.



All Ayes. Motion Passed.

7) ADJOURNMENT

Moved by S. Hunter and supported by Z. Funk to adjourn the meeting of the Historic District Commission at 8:11 p.m.



Plymouth Township Historic District Commission Proposed Minutes Thursday, October 28, 2021 - 7 p.m.

1) CALL TO ORDER

ALSO PRESENT

a) Roll Call PRESENT	Wendy Harless Jack Dempsey Sybil Hunter	Colleen Azimi Zach Funk
VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE	Carol Souchock and Dennis Cebulski	

2) APPROVAL OF THE October 28, 2021 AGENDA

Moved by C. Azimi and supported by D. Cebulski to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of October 28, 2021.

Denisa Terrell, Recording Secretary

Ayes All.

3) ENACTMENT OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approval of the August 12, 2021, Meeting Minutes
- b) Approval of the 2022 HDC Meeting Schedule

Moved by C. Azimi and supported by Z. Funk to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes All.

4) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were none

5) PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

6) NEW BUSINESS

a) Development at the Elks Property on Ann Arbor Rd.--*Dennis Cebulski* Toll Brothers went before the Planning Commission. They will be conducting a traffic study and considering density. There are heritage trees aging at 100. They are willing to consider a Historical Marker.

> b) Naming of the development to replace the Courthouse Grille/Hillside Inn-Dennis Cebulski

Hillside Native American was suggested for the development. W. Harless submitted a suggestion to consider Messina Place as a historic marker. D. Cebulski indicated suggestions can be sent by email. It was also discussed to have the developer incur the cost. W.



c) Historic Marker for Triangle Park—Jack Dempsey

J. Dempsey will obtain additional information on the cost of markers. The proposed text will be different based on the stories being told. C. Souchock suggested directing readers to reference the Township website. L. Haw made suggestions to consider similar signage as found at Heritage Park that can be changed out. There was also discussion on obtaining quotes on installation and without the install.

Moved by S. Hunter and supported by Z. Funk to approve the daisy style design with the Heritage Park layout and give suggestions. All Ayes.

Moved by S. Hunter and supported by C. Souchock to approve the creation of the historical marker in Triangle Park with the daisy style and fund from the Historic District Commission. All Ayes.

Move by S. Hunter and supported by C. Souchock to incorporate the pergola removed from the old Kmart site into Triangle Park.

d) Review of "Celebrate Fall Colors"—*Wendy Harless, Sybil Hunter* S. Hunter described the event as a success. The weather and turnout were perfect.

6) OLD BUSINESS

- a) Shearer Cemetery Wendy Harless
 - 1. Map is online
 - 2. Poison Ivy update

It was determined to put rock salt and spray soap and water over the poison ivy areas.

3. Dead Tree

The issue with the fallen dead tree was sent to Supervisor Heise. He sent it to DTE. DTE's response was it is non-their responsibility as it is leaning against a communication pole.

4. Should we clean the headstones? -- Group Discussion
Z. Funk suggested completing a survey on which headstones require cleaning. The cleaning solution should be non-alkaline or acidic. W. Harless suggested considering for the spring.

Moved by C. Azimi and supported by S. Hunter to approve a photographic survey in the spring of 2022 to include transcription with at least two people reviewing the inscriptions, rock, and condition of headstones.

All Ayes.



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

D. Cebulski gave an update in the Pursell House which included the developer paying for the plaque.

c) Rockwell Sculptures update – Wendy Harless

There was discussion about whether the "Old Man Winter" sculpture on the wooden playscape is also a Rockwell? D. Cebulski to take pictures and confirm with W. Harless.

d) Updates about expenditures

Historic District funds will roll over into 2022. There will be \$20,000 coming from the Pursell House Development.

e) Historic Sites Brochure – Jack Dempsey

W. Harless provided a brochure for the commission to review. There was consideration on the best size to capture information and look.

1. Homeowners who have responded to our letter--*Colleen Azimi* There was only one response from letters sent out. It was suggested to allow additional time for homeowner response. A decision will be made in December. S. Hunter will obtain a quote for 500 copies of the 8 1/2 X 11 brochure.

2. Review of the map and contents—Wendy Harless

7) ADJOURNMENT

Moved by C. Azimi supported by D. Cebulski to adjourn at 8:39 p.m. All Ayes.









