

Malvern Historical Commission
Minutes
Sept 12, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Lynne Frederick, chair
Barbara Rutz, vice chair
Catherine Raymond, treasurer
Kelly Schmitt, secretary
Helen McDonnell, member ABSENT
Zeyn Uzman, member
VACANT, member

I. Opening Remarks

Lynne called the meeting to order at 7:35

II. Public Comment

None; Lynne welcomed our 2 visitors, Tod and Rebecca Vanlandingham.

III. Approve Minutes

Cathy pointed out one typo; Lynne pointed out 1 typo. Zeyn motioned to approve the meeting minutes; Cathy seconded.

IV. Reports

A. Financial Report by Cathy

- a. Savings account has \$4151.97 (including interest of \$1.23).
- b. Borough Budget contribution \$1317.69 (no change from last report).
- c. These numbers include the LegacyBox payment from July.
- d. These numbers do not include the approximately \$120 in cash from the Malvern Harvest on 9/10.
- e. These numbers do not include the payment made for the 10/7 class that Lynne, Barb, and Kelly are attending.
- f. Keep in mind the 2018 budget; to be placed on the next meeting's agenda. As yet, Chris Bashore has the same allotment of funds listed for 2018 as was given in 2017. Zeyn mentions that we will need to plan for more plaques for the preservation awards, so that may affect funds for 2018.
- g. Zeyn motioned to approve the report; Kelly seconded. Motion passed.

B. Preservation Awards Committee (Barbara, Zeyn, Helen)

- a. See Old Business below. Nothing new to report.
- C. Publications Committee (Kelly, Cathy)
 - a. We have 823 “likes” on Facebook. Discussion ensues on the difference between “liking” a post vs. “liking” the actual page.
 - b. The next Borough Broadcaster is set to be mailed in November.
 - c. The next InGV is due in January. Kelly to ask Chris about the dates of when the InGV’s hit the mailboxes to plan out when the 15th anniversary of the parade should be printed.
- D. Ordinance Properties Committee (Barb, Lynne, Cathy)
 - a. There is at least one person we need to research their property to bring before Borough Council.
- E. Incoming email report
 - a. Malvern.org: We have received a positive RSVP from the Malvern Retreat House for the Preservation Awards presentation on 9/19’s Borough Council.
 - b. Yahoo.com: We received several ads from LegacyBox, Ancestry.com, and Gaylord, as well as information from local historical contacts (like Rutgers). We also received information from MBPA (the Harvest event thank you) and an invite to their mixer on 9/27 at the Renehan building on King St. Zeyn and Cathy are planning to attend the event.

V. New Business

- A. Schedule compiling the Legacy Box
 - a. Kelly to email Zeyn to check if he has a 35mm negative scanner.
 - b. LegacyBox does negatives, but we have a ton of those. If we have a negative scanner, we can focus on the photos, which are more difficult to scan.
 - c. After the 9/26 meeting, we will compile the photos and things we most want scanned and get them sent in.
- B. Paoli Memorial Association annual meeting agenda
 - a. Saturday, September 23rd at 9:30am at the Boy Scout Cabin. Zeyn, Lynne, Barb, and Kelly are all members.
 - b. Their mailed out agenda includes language placing a MHC liaison on PMA’s board of directors. After clarification from Frank Ortner with Kelly, Frank is asking Kelly to serve on the board (regardless of the MHC), and that potentially Lynne be the MHC liaison. All parties are amenable to that arrangement, and providing that the PMA general members enact this board of directors change on 9/23, the MHC is willing to appoint Lynne Frederick as their liaison.

- c. [PRELIM MINUTES] Zeyn admits he does not know how to spell liaison.
- C. Malvern Lyceum nights - November 14
 - a. Jim Christ from the PBPF has offered to be our first presenter.
 - b. Reminder from Lynne to Kelly to arrange with Neil Lovekin for the projector and for a microphone.
 - c. Kelly to ask Chris Bashore if the PBPF may sell their wares that evening.
 - d. Question from the floor on what the Lyceum is. The MHC explained the history of the 1880s and 1890s, that it included debates, presentations, special music, etc., as a culture-enriching community thing, and that the MHC intends to host 4 of these yearly.

VI. Old Business

- A. Schedule for the PBPF Heritage Day on 9/23 (11-4 for vendors, plus 5-7 for twilight reenactment)
 - a. Cathy will help set up around 9 and leave noonish. Lynne and Kelly and Barb can stay all day, excluding the PMA meeting from 9:30-10:30ish.
 - b. Barb's tent is needed.
 - c. Best plan is to load Lynne's car Friday night. Barb, Lynne, and likely Kelly will do.
 - d. It's probably best if we bring the Borough computer, for credit card purchases.
- B. Discuss MHC applicants: Danny Fruchter and Barbara Stergiades
 - a. Recommendation for Barbara, motioned by Zeyn, seconded by Barbara Rutz. Discussion ensues.
 - b. Lynne states that Barbara is the correct choice. "Mr. Fruchter's answers were grossly inappropriate and insulting to this commission, and I am not wanting to put him on this commission for those reasons. He also did not stay to the end of the meeting after his interview, nor has he shown any prior interest in joining this commission."
 - c. Barbara has shown interest prior to her interview, having attended a handful of meetings in spring 2017, and helping festival attendees at May's Malvern Blooms.
 - d. Vote passes. Lynne will let Chris Bashore know who the HC recommends, and it is believed this will be announced and voted on by Borough Council at the 9/19 meeting.
- C. Discuss Preservation Award presentation at Borough Council on 9/19
 - a. 6 awards; Lynne & Cathy will split them, with the recommendation that Zeyn present the award for Borough Hall.

- b. Zeyn is doing the certificates to be presented. He will track down Dave Bramwell before the week's end to have him sign them. Lynne reminded that her name is now listed as Lynne Frederick, and she states she will also track down Zeyn to sign the certificates prior to Tuesday's meeting.
- c. Lynne notes there was an issue with the letters being mailed out late this year due to a holdup at the Borough Office. Noting our preservation awards have been presented the 2nd Borough Council meeting in September since 2014, the MHC wishes to get out the awardee letters 4 weeks prior to that meeting. These letters were mailed just after Labor Day, giving people approximately 2 weeks to arrange their schedules.

VII. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, Zeyn motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20. Barbara Rutz seconded.

Next meeting: Sept 26, 2017