

**Minutes**  
**Malvern Historical Commission**  
**March 12, 2019**

Attendance:

Lynne Frederick, Chair  
Barbara Rutz, Vice Chair  
Catherine Raymond, Treasurer  
Kelly Schmitt, Secretary **ABSENT**  
Zeyn Uzman, member  
Barbara Stergiades, member **ABSENT**  
**VACANT**

The meeting was called to order by Lynne Frederick at 7:40 p.m.

I. OPENING REMARKS.

There were no opening remarks.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT. There were no comments from the public. Carroll Siquett was the only member of the public present.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Because Kelly Schmitt was absent from the February 12 and 26 meetings, minutes were prepared for those meetings by Lynne Frederick and Cathy Raymond, respectively. Zeyn Uzman moved to approve the minutes and Barbara Rutz seconded. Both sets of minutes were approved 4-0.

IV. REPORTS.

1. Financial Reports. Cathy submitted a revised copy of the February report (which had been approved at the last meeting) as well as the March report due to incorrect internal dates. Cathy promised to make the corrections and send the revised reports to the Commission and to the Administration office for posting. As amended, the reports were approved 4-0.

2. History Center Committee. There has been no progress on preparing a new display of historical materials based upon a ledger preserved by the National Bank of Malvern. The display will also include a bank draft from the early days of the Bank, and \$5.00 and \$10.00 notes the Bank issued. Lynne agreed to contact the Bank about obtaining the ledger for this project.

3. Ordinance Properties Committee. Barbara Rutz and Lynne Frederick reported that they met with Amy Finkbiner to discuss possible revisions to our Historical Ordinance. Amy suggested focusing on strengthening our "demolition by neglect" provision and providing stronger enforcement of our requirement that the Commission be permitted to take photographs, inside and out, of a historical building that is slated for demolition. Chris Bashore was to be present at that meeting, but did not attend. After discussion, it was agreed that the Commission would formulate recommendations for changes to the Ordinance, and would seek comments from the Planning Commission before approaching Wendy McLean, Borough Solicitor, for drafting and legal advice.

4. Electronic Communications report. Since our last meeting, several more e-mails were received seeking input from the Commission on PennDOT projects located outside of Malvern, similar to the proposals discussed at the February 26 meeting.

Other than the PennDOT project e-mails, two other e-mails were received. One was from Sen. Andrew Dinniman's office, asking whether Malvern wanted to submit information for the Senator's series of bookmarks honoring County residents who contributed significantly to their communities. It suggested that we might want to provide them with information for a bookmark honoring Sam and Betty Burke. Each bookmark includes a photograph of the person or persons involved and a brief biography. Cathy agreed to locate the photograph she has seen in our Google Photos account of Sam and Betty and to look for the Facebook post she wrote about them, and Lynne offered to get more information about how much information we should send for the bookmark.

The second e-mail was from the West Goshen Historical Commission. It was an invitation to a one-hour lecture being given by Michael C. Harris on Thursday, April 4, 2019 starting at 7:00 p.m. The title is "Chester County and the American Revolution." The e-mail indicates that the Battle of Paoli will be discussed in the lecture. Cathy volunteered to attend and obtain Mr. Harris's business card if Kel cannot, since she believes this talk would be perfect for our Lyceum lecture series.

The other e-mails were routine advertising on the Yahoo account.

V. OLD BUSINESS. Lynne asked who is planning to attend the CCHPN seminar, which is scheduled for Saturday, March 23, because the registration deadline is tomorrow. To date, Barbara Rutz, Cathy, and Lynne are planning to attend. Lynne will check with Kel Schmitt and Barb Stergiades to see whether they are interested in going before submitting the registration materials.

VI. NEW BUSINESS. Barbara Rutz reported that a friend of hers, Daniel A. Graham, has been writing accounts of the historical furnaces in the area. His most recent draft is about the Warwick

Furnace, where the cannon beside the 1817 monument on our Monument Grounds was made. She noted that she intends to advise Mr. Graham that the cannon is not at "Paoli, near Malvern," as appears in the draft. Cathy remarked that Mr. Graham might also be a candidate for our Lyceum series.

VII. ADJOURNMENT. Zeyn Uzman moved to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. and Cathy Raymond seconded.

NEXT MEETING: March 26, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine O. Raymond  
Treasurer