Minutes

Malvern Historical Commission November 12, 2019

Attendance:

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

The meeting was called to order by Lynne Frederick at 7:37 p.m. Cathy Raymond agreed to prepare minutes for the meeting, as Secretary Kel Schmitt was absent.

I. OPENING REMARKS.

Lynne welcomed our newest member, Ian Duncan, who was appointed to the Commission on November 5, 2019.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT. Justin Turner, 213 Paoli Pike, was the only member of the public present. He told the Commission members that he has been collecting information about his home and came to seek further information from the Commission.

Zeyn Uzman described two items he has purchased to donate to the Commission: a) an early postcard showing the National Bank of Malvern on King Street, looking west; b) a bottle that had held Hires Root Beer Concentrated Syrup. Both should be coming by mail, possibly as early as the end of this week.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Zeyn Uzman moved to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2019 meeting, and Cathy Raymond seconded. The minutes were approved 4-0.

IV. REPORTS.

1. Financial Report. Cathy submitted the Financial Report for November 2019. Zeyn Uzman moved to approve the report and Lynne Frederick seconded. The report was approved 4-0. Lynne asked the members to consider what expenditures seemed useful and appropriate for the

approximately \$1,170.00 remaining of the Borough's contribution to the Commission for 2019, and requested that that matter be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

- 2. Preservation Awards Committee. No report. Lynne noted that Barbara Rutz, who was absent, had agreed to contact Borough Manager Chris Bashore and ask him to contact prior award winners who did not appear to receive their awards to ask them whether they wanted to receive those awards at an upcoming Council meeting. Since there are only three Council meetings left in 2019, the members agreed not to proceed with this course of action until after the beginning of the new year.
- 2. History Center Committee. There has been no progress on preparing a new display of historical materials or to clean up the History Center.
- 3. Ordinance Properties Committee. Lynne Frederick noted that she needs to write to Borough Solicitor Wendy McLean to seek advice about revising the Historical Ordinance.
- 4. Electronic Communications report. Lynne Frederick reported on the following e-mail communications that were received in the Commission's e-mail accounts since the last meeting.
- a. Connie Scanga, 152 Woodland Avenue, e-mailed to ask that her home be put on the list of houses to be considered for a Preservation Award.
- b. Joe Volpe, 22 W. King Street, asked how he could obtain copies of historical photographs. He was referred to Campli Photography.
- c. Chris Bashore, Borough Manager, concerning the application of Ian Duncan to become a member of the Commission.
- d. An e-mail advising of an unsuccessful attempt to purchase books from the Commission though the Administration office with a credit card. The would-be purchaser learned that our credit card account has been closed for inactivity.
- e. On the Commission's old Yahoo account, we received an e-mail from a John Koller, advising of his change of e-mail address. The Commission will follow up to ascertain whether Mr. Koller is someone whose e-mail address the Commission needs to add to its current e-mail account.
- 5. Publications Committee. As of today, the Commission's Facebook page has 1,125 likes and 1,185 follows. Ian Duncan noted this is 6 more than at the time of our last meeting. As of today, we have 194 follows on our Instagram account, 5 more than at the time of the last meeting, according to Ian. Cathy Raymond observed that there are no impending deadlines for print publications; the next issue of the Borough Broadcaster will not be due until sometime in January 2020.

V. OLD BUSINESS. None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS. Lynne advised Ian Duncan that he is eligible to join one or more of the

Commission's Committees, and briefly described the functions and activities of each. Ian said that he

would like to think about which Committees he would like to serve on.

Lynne Frederick announced that she received some research that Barb Rutz had obtained from

Morgantown, PA, but said that she has not reviewed the information yet.

VII. ADJOURNMENT. Zeyn Uzman moved to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. and Cathy Raymond

seconded. On a 4-0 vote, the meeting was adjourned.

NEXT MEETING: November 26, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine O. Raymond

Treasurer